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Premier's Cryptic Comment In Diet Speech

Plea For Passage
Of Mobilisation
Measure

Tokyo, To-day.

In his speech on the Mobilisation Law in the Diet yesterday, the Premier, Prince Konoye, said the law was purely the result of careful investigations conducted by every Cabinet in the last ten years, and that its application was necessary in order to overcome unforeseen difficulties which had arisen from the Sino-Japanese war.

Japan was not the only power to have passed such a law, which was to be found in the statute books of various European and American countries.

BRITAIN AND
AUSTRO-GERMAN
AGREEMENT

London, To-day.

The Government will continue to watch what goes on in Austria with the greatest possible attention and interest.

This was the chief point of importance in a statement by the Premier to the House of Commons last night when the question of the Austro-German Agreement was raised on a motion for the adjournment.

It remained to be seen, said Mr. Chamberlain, what the practical effect of the agreement might be.

"In this connection, the Government obviously cannot disinterest themselves in events in Central Europe if only for the reason that the object of all their policy is to assist in the establishment of a greater sense of security and confidence in Europe."

HITLER SPEECH

The Premier said he was glad to note from the speech of Herr Hitler that the Austro-German arrangements were to be considered as an extension within the framework of the Austro-German Agreement of July, 1936, which included provision for the recognition by the German

No-one could foresee how the war would be conducted in the future, and for this reason, one had to provide for all contingencies and changes which could take place from hour to hour.

The Premier declared that it had been demonstrated since the Great War that a State must be able to mobilise all its technical and economic forces as modern warfare called for active co-operation of the whole nation.—Trans-Ocean.

REFLOATING OF
ASAMA MARU
EXPECTED

It is expected that at high tide on March 13, it will be found possible to refloat the N.Y.K. liner, Asama Maru.

She has been on the rocks at Saiwan Bay since the typhoon of September 2 last, since when salvage workers, including 37 divers, have blasted away 120 square metres of rock, five feet thick, from under the ship.

It is estimated that the cost of salvage plus repairs will be well in excess of \$4,000,000.

Government of the fully sovereignty of Austria. There, he thought, they must leave the matter for the present.—Reuter.

CABINET
APPROVES
DIRECTION OF
ROME TALKS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES, DESIGNED TO FORM THE BASIS FOR THE IMPENDING ANGLO-ITALIAN NEGOTIATIONS, RECEIVED THE DEFINITE APPROVAL OF THE CABINET AT ITS REGULAR WEDNESDAY SESSION YESTERDAY.

The Earl of Perth, Ambassador to Italy, will return to Rome at the end of the week, and it is generally expected that the talks will open early next week.

Even if the initial contacts succeed in opening up the prospect of ultimate agreement, there still remains the likelihood of negotiations dragging on until the end of April.

TALK PROPHECY

According to the "Star," the programme of negotiations will include the question of Italy's air

CHINESE DRIVE
WEDGE INTO
JAPANESE LINE

Shanghai, To-day.

While the Japanese apparently continue victoriously to squeeze the Chinese out of Shansi Province towards the bend of the Yellow River, the Chinese forces operating from Luchow appear to have driven a wedge between the long drawn out Japanese line on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, separating the Japanese at Nanking and Pengpu.

The Japanese spokesman admits that heavy fighting is taking place in the Chuhsien sector of the railway where he says the situation is "stationary." — Reuter.

Chuhsien is within 20 miles of Pukow.

and land forces in Libya, fortification of certain Italian islands in the Mediterranean, Italian fortifications in the Red Sea and certain questions concerning the future of Lake Tsana, in Abyssinia, which controls Egypt's water supply.—Trans-Ocean.

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First thing every morning, before your bath, is the best time, and in front of a wide-open window. It is such a good way of starting the day. You will feel so fresh and invigorated that it will be well worth the effort of getting up fifteen minutes earlier.

Now exercises are just as good for the too thin as for the too fat. A common cause of being either over or underweight is defective circulation and exercises will improve your circulation tremendously, besides having a very good effect on sluggish insides and on the health in general.

Developing Exercises

If you are underweight, you will have ugly salt cellars and a flat chest, and possibly, stooping shoulders. Here is an exercise to fill up the salt cellars and strengthen the

PEPPERMINT SWEET

Here is the recipe for a sweet that I tasted for the first time at a small dinner party the other night. It is particularly attractive if you like peppermint. You will need six medium-sized apples, four cups of water, 2 cups of sugar and a drop or two of peppermint essence and some green vegetable colouring.

Make a thin sugar syrup with the water and sugar and boil for five minutes. To this add the peppermint essence and the colouring, but have a care about this for it is very easy to use too much.

Into this syrup put the six apples, which must be cored and peeled, and simmer until tender. Turn them gently every now and again to make sure that the colour and flavour will penetrate all round.

My hostess told me that she uses a large frying pan for cooking apples in this way to prevent them crowding or breaking each other.

When the apples are tender remove them gently from the pan and garnish with whipped cream and serve for dessert.

pectoral muscles. (The pectorals hold up your bust). Exercise 1.—Always stand with your feet rather apart and knees braced. This will give you a firm base. Raise your arms in front of you to shoulder level. Holding them stiffly, clench your fists and scissor them over and under each other. Do this about forty times to start with.

Exercise 2.—Like the first this exercise is for filling out and developing your shoulders and bust. Fists clenched raise the arms alternately in front of you above head. Eight times each. Next, raise them alternately and then both together out sideways to shoulder level. Eight times.

Exercise 3.—For developing the bust and flattening the shoulder blades. Touch the tips of your fingers in front of you and then swing your arms round to the back in a circular movement, getting your hands as far back as possible, and making the backs of them meet at the back, if you can. Eight times.

Exercise 4.—This is for developing your bust, shoulders and arms. Stand about three paces away from a wall. (This will vary according to your height and the strength of your arms). Keep your feet together, elbows bent and palms of your hands in front of shoulders. Fall forward against the wall and push yourself back to upright position by straightening your arms. Do this six times to start with.

All these four exercises, allowing for a pause and a couple of deep breaths between each, will only take you five minutes. As your muscles become accustomed to them, so you will increase the amount.

So those of you who are underweight do incorporate them in your daily dozen and concentrate very carefully on them. Remember to always breathe deeply and rhythmically while you do your exercises—there is a tendency for people to hold their breath while making any physical effort.

Slimming Exercises

If you are overweight you will have a rubber tyre (roll of flesh round the waist) and big thighs and hips.

Exercise 5.—For the waistline. Stand feet apart, knees braced. Drop your body forward quite relaxed, then body roll slowly round. As you do this movement drop your head as far as it will go forward, sideways and backwards and the body will follow it.

Exercise 6.—Also for the waistline. Stand as for Ex. 5, arms shoulder level stretched out sideways. Bend your trunk sideways, sliding your arms as far down your legs as you can get them.

If your muscles are in a poor condition please go very gently at first and increase by slow degrees.

Exercise 7 is to reduce your thighs and is in two parts. It is rather difficult but most effective.

Jewels for Day and Evening

—They Gleam and They Glow



JEWELS BY DAY AND NIGHT.

Evening toilettes says Paris, are enriched by jewels which glitter and scintillate, while daytime ensembles are also enhanced by a decorative necklace or bracelet. Sketched above is a group of fashionable contemporary jewelry. A charming set of bows in platinum studded with brilliants is worn by the lady with the sculptured coiffure. The novel-shaped handbag is of white satin embroidered with gold and pearls in a meshed effect, and matches the cuff bracelet. To accompany a day dress is the massive bangle of gold set with glistening black pearls, or the copper clip finished with a gold tassel. Sapphire blue stars twinkle and flash on the copper necklace and bracelet, also for day wear.

YOU CAN MAKE THIS WITH HALF A CABBAGE!

It's a delicious dish for lunch, high tea or supper. Try it and see.

CABBAGE PIE

Half large boiled cabbage, three-quarters cup chopped cold tongue, one pint white sauce, salt, pepper and paprika, three-quarters cup breadcrumbs, three tablespoons melted butter.

Mince cabbage roughly. Put a layer in the bottom of a fireproof dish. Sprinkle with grated cheese, pepper, salt and paprika to taste. Cover with a layer of white sauce.

Repeat layers till all the ingredients are used up, except the final layer of sauce. Before spreading it over, put a layer of chopped cold tongue on top of the cabbage. Cover with remainder of sauce. Sprinkle with crumbs. Pour over melted butter.

Cook in a moderate oven till crumbs are brown. Serve as a luncheon, supper or high tea dish.

Enough for four or five persons.

Don't forget your pot plants and ferns while you're away on holiday. The most effective method of keeping them watered is to make a few loose loops of wool and arrange them right round the stem of plant. Allow a loose strand of wool to hang over the side of pot, weight the end with a button and drop it in a bottle of water. The wool strand acts as a conductor, and the loose loops around the stem distribute the water evenly around plant.

(a) Sit on the floor on your heels. Clasp your hands in front of you and do not touch the floor with them. Roll off your heels on to the floor alternately to the right and left.

(b) Take the same position as in (a), roll off your heels to the right, shoot both legs in front of you keeping your heels off the floor and bring them round to the left. Repeat only four times to start with.

Exercise 8.—Is to reduce your hips. Lie flat on your tummy and cross your arms, Madonna wise over your bust, then roll slowly first on to your left hip, back on your tummy and then on to your right hip. If you find it difficult, do very little to start with.

Here are two exercises for the abdominal muscles which, whatever size you are, will do you a lot of good. Not only will they flatten the tummy but they will strengthen the abdominal wall.

Exercise 9.—Lie flat on the floor, legs apart, arms above the head—in the shape of a star. Bend forward and touch your left toe. Lie back, then bend forward again and touch your right toe. Do this only three or four times to start with.

Exercise 10.—Still lying flat on your back, keep your legs together. Bring your knees up to your chest and then shoot them down again keeping the heels off the floor. Repeat four times.

Tinfoil Tips

Probably most of you carefully preserve tinfoil and send it to be turned into money for hospital purposes. But tinfoil has its household uses, too, and no one could blame you for laying aside a small quantity with this end in view.

For example, to prevent soap wasting while it is lying in the soap dish, place a piece of tinfoil under it. This will give a smooth, dry surface which doubles the life of the soap, besides making it much more pleasant to handle. A piece of tinfoil wrapped round the end of a candle before it is inserted into the candlestick will allow the candle to burn out to the end. Should you have an ash-tray which becomes discoloured when lighted cigarettes are laid on it, place a piece of tinfoil on the tray and it will prevent further damage.

A RECIPE FOR TACT

By X. Marcel Bonlestin

M. Bonlestin whose restaurant in London is justly famous is also known for his witty writing. Here he gives a few tips to the world be perfect hostess.

The good hostess has many duties besides dealing successfully with "situations," keeping a book of menus with notes, lists of likes and dislikes of her guests, of the dishes they have had in her house. All these duties can be summarised: she must have a little knowledge of culinary matters, common sense and tact.

She must also remember that all games have rules and etiquette; the little parlour game of receiving is submitted to these laws, even more so as it is part of the fabric of our civilisation.

Let us suppose, for instance, that at a friend's house you had a particularly delicious dish and said to her: "My dear, I simply adored it; you must give me the recipe . . .," and that she has given it to you, correctly, without keeping secret an important detail; your first duty is, of course, to ask your friend to come and try it, so that she can sit in judgment and, if necessary, give advice.

Your second duty is to see that for that dinner your cook does not make the dish quite right. Definitely it must not be as good as your friend's. Thus she will have the satisfaction of murmuring thoughtfully, when she tries it: "It is very good, very good mind you . . . but, I think, somehow . . ."

In fact, you must give her the chance of showing the superiority of her own cooking, at least as far as that special dish of hers is concerned, and of making suggestions, of giving advice, of collaborating in the improvement. She will then have pleasure and pride in admit-

ting it: "I must say you have a clever little cook. . . ."

Make her feel she has done you a good turn.

And do not make the other, and fatal, mistake—should your cook do the dish better than hers—to give it to her. That would be lack of tact, and unforgivable. Some things are "not done."

RECIPES

Eggs Mimosa

Hors d'oeuvre, of an elaborate kind, for a luncheon party:

Take some hard boiled eggs, cut them in halves and remove the yolks, which you chop finely. Take some foie gras or puree of foie gras (small tins of this are to be found at any good grocer's), pass it through a sieve and stuff the eggs with this, lightly and without pressing down the puree. Dispose your eggs in a serving dish and prepare the sauce.

The sauce is a mixture of bechamel (one third) and mayonnaise (two thirds); the bechamel should be rather soft and the mayonnaise not too vinegary, so as not to drown the flavour of the foie gras. Mix the two sauces well and pour over the stuffed eggs in the serving dish. Decorate with the chopped yolks sprinkled all over.

Chicken Saute Bourguignonne
This dish is on the same principle as the chicken saute recently published, just as simple and just as effective, but red wine is used instead of white wine and cream.

Take a young chicken about two pounds in weight and cut it in seven pieces—wings, legs, drumsticks and breast—fry these for two or three minutes only in butter at the foaming stage, together with a few button onions and cubes of streaky bacon. Turn the pieces, put in salt, pepper, a bouquet and a glass of red wine, preferably burgundy.

Cook with the lid on, slowly, for about twenty minutes; add then, half a dozen mushrooms cut in slices and cooked two minutes in butter, remove the bouquet and let the dish simmer five minutes more. It is a dish with a short sauce.

Almond Tart

Prepare the paste with a quarter of a pound of sifted flour, same quantity of butter, a little water and one ounce of sugar. Mix well and lightly, roll and line a greased tart mould about one inch high with very thin paste.

Prepare the filling as follows: Two eggs, three ounces of sugar, three ounces of pounded almonds, a small glass of milk, mixing well; the mixture should be like thick cream.

Prick a few holes with a fork at the bottom of the tart, put in your mixture and bake in a hot oven* for twelve to fifteen minutes. Two minutes before the end sprinkle sugar all over. Serve cold.

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4.—By the time he is eighteen months old, if the diet has been a good one, the gap is closed by solid bone. If the diet has been faulty or inadequate, the gap may remain longer.

5.—Bone-producing foods are vitally necessary to a growing baby. Otherwise by the time it walks the bones will not have hardened and the child's weight will make them bend. This means bow-legs or knock knees, both indicating the disease of soft bones called "rickets."

6.—Cure of rickets comes through sunlight on the bare skin and vitamin D. They help the body to make use of the mineral properties in the diet and store them in bones, teeth and the nervous system.

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**MR. HOOVER NOW IN
VIENNA**Vienna, To-day.
Mr. Herbert Hoover, former President of the United States, arrived in Vienna yesterday.

The Technical University of Vienna will confer the honorary degree of Doctor on him to-day. Trans-Ocean.

CLOUDY, FOG

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone has extended southward towards the Yangtse Valley, and has increased but slightly in intensity. Pressure is highest in the Pacific to the east of Japan.

Local forecast—N. E. winds, moderate; cloudy with fog.

**PREMIER AND
PRINCIPLE OF
NON-RECOGNITION
OF CONQUEST**

London, To-day.

Mr. Philip Noel Baker (Labour) called for the Prime Minister's attention to the declaration of the Assembly of the League of Nations on March 11, 1932, to the effect that it was incumbent on the members of the League not to recognise any situation, treaty or agreement brought about by means contrary to the Covenant or the Pact of Paris and asked whether His Majesty's Government still accepted this statement of their international obligations.

The Premier said that, as stated by the then Foreign Secretary in December, 1936, His Majesty's Government adhered to the principle of the declaration which was made in connection with the particular case of the Sino-Japanese dispute.

"FACTS OF SITUATION"

But Mr. Eden had gone on to indicate that, in its application to any case, His Majesty's Government must be entitled to take into account the facts of the situation and of the necessity of adequately protecting British interests.

Any such action on their part would not imply approval of the methods by which the situation was brought about.

These views still correctly represented the attitude of His Majesty's Government on this subject—British Wireless.

**PREMIER
DECLINES TO
BE LED ASTRAY**

London, To-day.

Mr. Arthur Henderson (Labour) asked the Prime Minister in the Commons whether, in view of the recent declaration of the French Foreign Minister that France intended acting, in application of Article 16 of the League Covenant, to assist Czechoslovakia if that country was attacked by Germany, he would state that, in such circumstances, His Majesty's Government intended, under the same article, to assist France and Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Chamberlain replied that the position of Britain with special reference to Central Europe was stated by the late Foreign Secretary in the House last June and he had nothing to add to that statement. British Wireless.

**WOMEN'S LABOUR
SERVICE FORMED
BY FRANCO**

Burgos, to-day.

A women's labour service has been instituted in insurgent Spain, and the first recruits began their duties yesterday.

The organisation, which will provide workers for public kitchens, hospitals, tailoring establishments etc., is open to all Spanish women between the age of 17 and 38. Trans-Ocean.

**HITLER DEMAND
FOR RETURN
OF COLONIES**

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister was asked in the Commons whether, following on the German Chancellor's speech on February 20, stating the determination of Germany to recover her former Colonies, the Government had received any official intimation from the German Government regarding the return to them of these colonies.

and whether the Government had any proposals in mind to resolve this question, either by unilateral conversations with Germany or in conjunction with other Powers.

NON-COMMITTAL

Mr. Chamberlain replied that if the question was whether a communication from the German Government on this matter had been made supplementary to the Chancellor's speech, the answer was in the negative, and regarding the second part of the question, he had nothing to add to what he had previously said on this matter.—British Wireless.

**EXTENSION OF
TIME FOR
SHARE RETURN**

An application by the Organic Fertiliser Company, Limited, for extension of time to file a return of an allotment of shares was granted by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court this morning an order being made that the allotment be filed within seven days.

Representing the petitioning company, Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. W. M. Brown, presented the application stating the ground was inadvertence on the part of the company in not filing the allotment which should have been done in January, 1936.

Counsel explained that the usual position of the companies was that once they were incorporated nothing else was to be done. There was no doubt, pointed out Mr. Macnamara, that the petitioning company would have taken appropriate action should notice have been brought to them earlier of their obligations.

GOERING SPEECH

London, To-day.

A denial is made of reports that the British Government intends to make representations in Berlin in connection with certain statements made by Field-Marshal Goering in the course of his speech on the Reich air force.—Trans-Ocean.

**LARGE THEFT OF
MEDICINE**

Mr. A. Rowan, manager of the China Dispensary, Queen's Road Central, has reported that some time between March 1 and 2, someone entered the godown and stole medicine to the total value of \$1,613.70.

MR. J. P. BRAGA AND HONG KONG'S HOUSING PROBLEM

Sir,—It is about time that attention was again drawn to the housing problem in Hong Kong.

Since the matter assumed serious proportions in the autumn of last year, the gravity of the situation has been further accentuated rather than diminished.

To re-introduce the Rent Restrictions Ordinance, as it existed in the Colony some years ago as an emergency measure, is, I consider, an inadvisable step. I say so with a perfect practical acquaintance with the effect of the Restriction Bill and of the one-sidedness of its operation to the prejudice of the genuine as opposed to the speculative class of landlords.

Let it be granted, at the outset, as has been demonstrated by the Chinese Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council, or a majority of them, that landlords as a class had gone through a very lean period after the financial crisis of 1932. It was with considerable cogency that the argument was advanced in Council in behalf of landlords that the reasonable rise in rents, bringing them more or less to a pre-crisis level, was not only justified but eminently desirable for those who sought a sound form of investment in landed property and house construction in Hong Kong.

The present situation, however, presents a totally different aspect. The recent great increase in the population of the Colony has caught it wholly unprepared to provide accommodation for all. As a result of this abnormal increase, estimated at over a quarter million, residents are being driven in ever-increasing numbers out of their homes. In many cases tenants are being given notice to vacate their houses without even the option of paying an increase in rent. It is from these persons that complaint arises. For them practical sympathy is enlisted, and in their interests and for their protection legislative aid is invoked.

Were our resident and domiciled citizens to be given an opportunity of paying a fair and reasonable increase in rent, it is felt that no justifiable complaint could be supported against landlords, who, after all, are acting within their legal right and who may be expected to argue that, following the law

of supply and demand, they have to make up for the lean years through which they have passed. However, in the majority of cases that have recently been brought to my notice old residents are given no option; they are served with notice to quit upon the expiry of the bare statutory minimum of only one month.

In the present pressing conditions, language need not be strained in order to illustrate the harrowing plight of local wage-earners. The cost of living has risen through a combination of circumstances which they find it extremely difficult to cope with. Well-to-do transient visitors are accommodated at the expense of permanent residents; they obtain security and freedom from the severe hardship and anxiety which evicted tenants are made to suffer.

I have been at some pains in stating the case for the helpless tenants, having regard to the realities of the situation. The least appeal that can be urged in behalf of bona fide Hong Kong residents is that Government and the Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council take into immediate and earnest consideration the introduction of a short Bill, with its passage through a single sitting of the Council, to enable tenants to be given the option of paying a fair and reasonable increase in rent. The phrase "fair and reasonable" is not capable of easy definition; but a way may be found out of the difficulty with the counsel of wisdom procurable in the Council Chamber. Summary eviction is a high-handed procedure inflicting serious hardship on the victims.

If Government, after the advice tendered to them by the Unofficial Members of the Council should appear hesitant to legislate for what is an economic reform of pressing urgency, may I appeal to some one of the Unofficial Members to introduce a Private Bill along the lines suggested above? Such a step would, I consider, provide a remedy for a situation that is becoming intolerable and weighing heavily on the wage-earning population, upon whose services the commercial and industrial life of Hong Kong so largely depends.

J. P. BRAGA.

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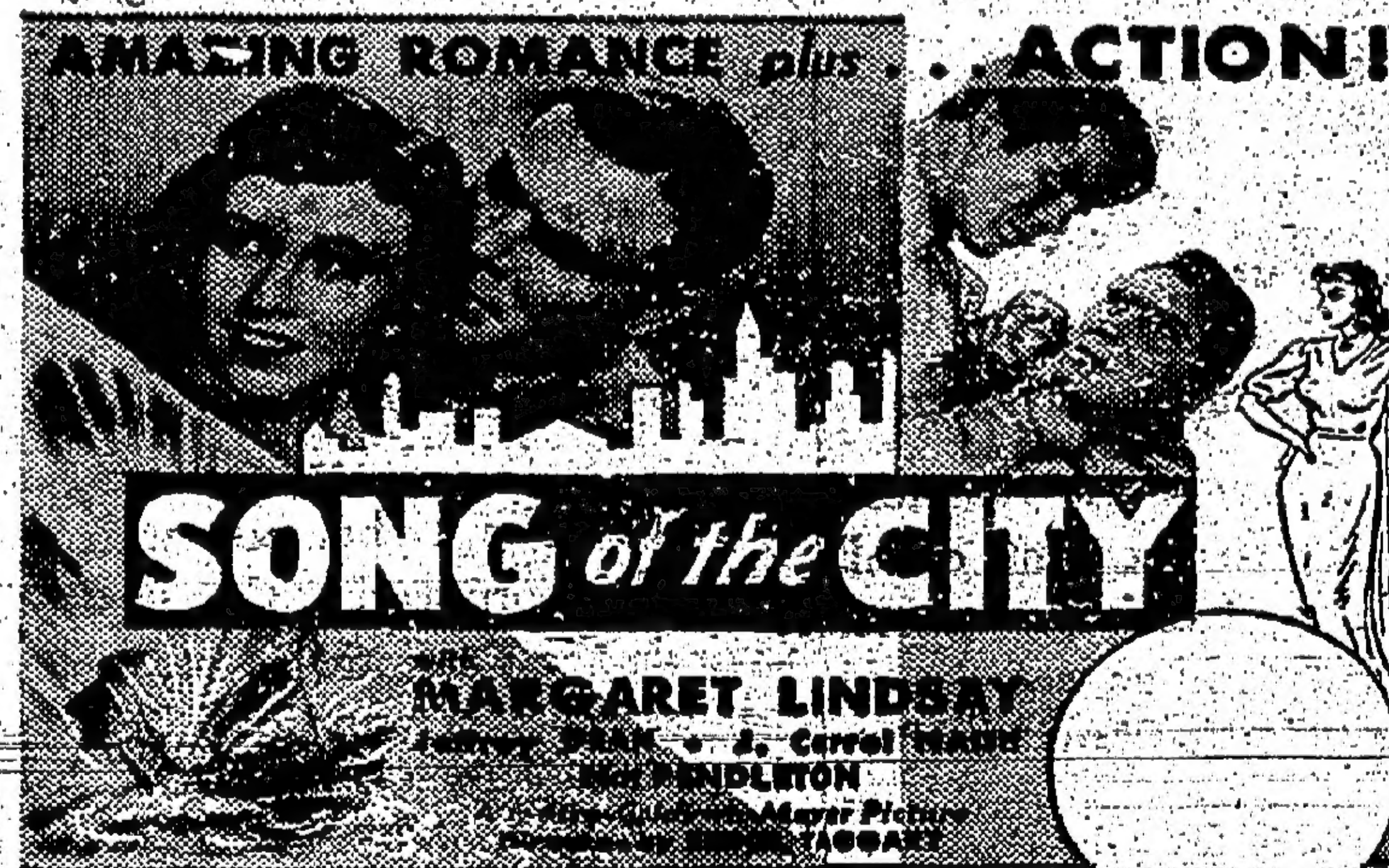
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Alice Faye — George Murphy — Andy Devine



This picture shows Prince Ali Khan (son of the Aga Khan) and Lady Ali Khan (formerly Mrs. Loel Guinness) watching a display by the Khoja Scouts at Karachi. (Copyright).

SEIZURE OF FOREIGN GOODS BY JAPANESE

Shanghai, To-day.

The latest action of the Japanese in confiscating ten per cent. of all goods arriving at Chinese ports, controlled by them, has occasioned strong protest in foreign trading circles.

The Japanese are particularly diligent in their claim when shipments of iron and scrap iron arrive, and excuse the practice by declaring that a loss of ten per cent. would be incurred through unloading in most cases, but since this does not occur in Shanghai they are entitled to appropriate ten per cent. for service.

Through this entirely illegal measure local importers are suffering huge losses.

It is declared in well-informed circles that the German Chamber of Commerce has already taken steps in the matter and is conferring with other Chambers of Commerce in this city. — Trans-Ocean.

NAZIS TO WEAR SWASTIKA IN AUSTRIA

Vienna, To-day.

The special department of the Patriotic Front charged with the task of incorporating the Austrian Nazis in the Patriotic Front, yesterday issued a communiqué on the visit of the Minister of the Interior, Herr Zeiss-Inquart, to Graz, the capital of Styria.

The communiqué declares that the "course to be followed in the immediate future was clearly and satisfactorily set forth" during the conference of the Minister and Austrian Nazis at Graz.

The free display of Nazi sympathies was one of the questions discussed.

It was agreed that "in private life" every Nazi should be allowed to wear the Swastika emblem or use "Heil Hitler" as greeting if he wished to do so. — Trans-Ocean.

Quarantine restrictions have been imposed by the Quarantine Officer-in-Charge, Swatow, against arrivals from Hong Kong on account of small-pox.

SENSATIONAL RETRACTION CAUSES ADJOURNMENT OF MOSCOW "HERESY" TRIAL

Moscow, To-day.

The first act of the trial of 21 prominent Soviet leaders began here punctually at noon yesterday at the "Blue Hall" of the Trade-Union building.

The general setting was the same as in other recent trials of similar character.

The accused were led into the court by armed G.P.U. agents, two of whom remained with fixed bayonets mounting guard over the dock where the accused were ordered to take their allotted seats.

A few foreign diplomats and about 20 journalists were present when Vishinski, the public prosecutor, rose to his feet to read out the charges. It took him two hours to get through them and as he proceeded to pile accusation on accusation the atmosphere of fear and incredulity became almost unbearable.

The keynote of the trial was the allegations that the accused are charged with having plotted not only with Germany and Japan for overthrow of the Soviet Government and dismembering the Soviet-Union but also with Great Britain and Poland for the aim of restoration of capitalism.

CONFESSIONS

The public prosecutor made much of the point that the charges had been based on what the accused had themselves confessed.

Before the dramatic moment arrived, however, Vishinski proceeded to read out those charges dealing with alleged formation "of the supreme spy and terrorist centres," referred to by Karl Radek during the trial of January 1937.

Here the leading role is alleged to have been played by Yagoda, the former GPU chief. This terrorist centre is accused of having conspired to murder Stalin, Molotov, Voroshiloff and other Soviet leaders.

Yagoda is said to have already confessed to part in murder of Kiroff, the chief of the Communist Party in Leningrad on December 1, 1934.

He is also said to have confessed to having had a hand in the organisation of the murder of Maxim Gorki.

Deep silence reigned in the court when Vishinski had ended reading out the charges. Then Mulrich, the president of the military tribunal began to ask each accused in turn whether he admitted his guilt. Nineteen of the accused men replied in the affirmative. Bucharin likewise pleaded guilty but solely in the sense of a final statement which he had drawn up.

KRESTINSKY RETRACTS

Krestinsky, the former deputy commissary for foreign affairs replied with a firm "no."

He was pale as death, faced his accusers and shouted, "I am no Trotskyist, I am no criminal, I have never had anything to do with the intelligence services of foreign Powers."

Krestinsky's outburst took the public prosecutor and the entire court completely by surprise especially as the substantial part of the charges is based on Krestinsky's alleged confession.

Asked regarding the nature of his confession, Krestinsky called out "I retract all the statements made by me during the preliminary examination," and insisted that he made them under compulsion.

Immediately after this sensational incident occurred, the court was adjourned. — Trans-Ocean.

BESSONOFF IN BOX

Moscow, Later.

Following the brief interruption caused by the former deputy Foreign Commissar, Krestinsky's, withdrawal of his confession, the trial was continued yesterday afternoon with cross-examination of the former councillor of the Berlin Embassy, Bessonoff.

Bessonoff admitted that he was chief liaison officer between Trotsky and the latter's followers in Russia.

"A LIE"

When the public prosecutor asked Krestinsky whether this statement was true, Krestinsky replied "Bessonoff's assertions are a lie."

Prosecutor: "Your present statements are at variance with the confession you made during the preliminary enquiry."

Krestinsky: "I made these confessions involuntarily. I made false statements in order to have the chance to tell the truth before the court."

Next accused to be questioned was the former Finance Commissar, Grinko, who made a lengthy confession corroborating all the charges in the indictment.

He admitted he was responsible for all deficiencies in the Soviet financial system.

CHERNOFF ADMISSION

Last accused questioned yesterday was the former Commissar for Agriculture, Chernoff, who also admitted his guilt.

Besides admitting sabotage on a large scale, he declared he had been bribed to commit espionage.

The trial will be resumed at 11 o'clock this morning (Thursday) Moscow time. — Trans-Ocean.

SUN FO TO RETURN TO CHINA

Shanghai, To-day.

It is reported here that Mr. Sun Fo, Special Envoy sent recently to Moscow, will shortly leave the Soviet having completed his mission.

He will leave Leningrad and travel direct to France.

It is also said that he will confer with Mr. Eugene Chen, China's former Foreign Minister, at Paris following which they will together return to China. — Our Own Correspondent.

DARING GUERILLA COUP

Kidnapping Under Noses Of Japanese Garrison

Railway Rendered Useless By Depredations

Peiping, To-day.

The daring of the Chinese Communist guerillas was demonstrated by a remarkable kidnapping which a band of them carried out under the noses of a strong Japanese garrison.

Victims of the kidnapping, which occurred at a small Chinese coal mine in the hills 20 miles from Peiping, were a young German geological student, Herr Hildebrandt, and six Chinese accompanying him.

They had been given permission by the Japanese authorities to visit the region, and were captured by 250 guerillas armed with rifles and machine-guns.

Japanese-employed Chinese police attacked the kidnappers without success, and the captives were taken into the heart of the hills.

The activities of the guerillas continue to cause the Japanese serious concern all along the Peiping-Hankow Railway, where traffic is frequently interrupted.

TRAIN DERAILED

A Japanese supply train was derailed south of Shanchiachwan on Monday, and several Japanese troops killed and many injured.

The railway track is damaged almost every night, so that the Japanese have practically ceased to use the railway to transport troops inland.

For example, petrol supplies for Taiyuanfu are now being sent from Peiping by road via Kalgan and Tatung.—Reuter.

A.R.P. ACADEMY

Berlin, To-day.

The foundation stone of the world's first Air Defence Academy was laid at Wannsee, near Berlin, yesterday by General Milch, Secretary of State in the Air Ministry.

In his speech, General Milch claimed that Germany had the best air defence system in the world, stating that not only the military but a high percentage of civilians were thoroughly trained in air defence.—Trans-Ocean.

SOVIET-REICH CLEARING PACT

Berlin, To-day.

The German-Soviet Russian Clearing Agreement, concluded between the two countries in the early part of last year, has been extended to cover the year 1938, according to an official announcement issued here yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

PASTOR NIEMOELLER RELEASED

Berlin, To-day.

Pastor Niemoeller was sentenced yesterday to seven months' confinement in a fortress and a fine of 2,000 reichsmarks by the special court for "imperiling the safety of the state."

Niemoeller will be released immediately and 500 reichsmarks of the fine will be remitted.

The court was crowded in the final session yesterday. When asked by the presiding judge whether he had anything to say, Niemoeller declared that his only request was that the court should pronounce his acquittal.

The court then passed sentence, finding him guilty under section 130 of the Criminal Code.—Trans-Ocean.

SENSE OF CONVICTION

The Presiding Judge, having pronounced the verdict on Pastor Niemoeller, issued a statement, setting forth the reasons for the verdict.

They had sat in judgment not on a matter of religion, but solely on a matter of penal offences committed by the accused.

After having made a careful examination of all available evidence, the court had come to the conviction that the accused had brought himself into conflict with the law from motives arising out of a sense of conviction.

AWARE OF EFFECT

Niemoeller's actions in each individual case had been considered by the court in this light. Nevertheless the court had put on record that the accused was fully aware of the effect of his pulpit utterances. It had been proved that beyond doubt among those who attended were persons who came, not for divine service in Niemoeller's church religious interest, but really out of hostility to the state.—Trans-Ocean.

ITALIAN SHOW FOR HITLER

Rome, To-day.

All records for hospitality will be broken for Herr Hitler's visit to Rome which will last from May 3 till May 10.

Among other spectacles will be a gigantic naval display arranged in the Gulf of Naples, and a big military parade along the Triumphal Road in Rome.—Reuter.

SOUTHERN AND NORTHERN RHODESIA

London, To-day.

The members of the Royal Commission to consider closer co-operation or association between Southern and Northern Rhodesia and Nyassaland, of which Lord Bledisloe is the Chairman, are W. H. Mainwaring, Ernest Evans, members of parliament, P. Ashley Cooper, Director of the Bank of England and member of the 1931 National Economy Committee, and Thomas Fitzgerald, former Official member of the Legislative Councils of Kenya and Tanganyika Territory.—British Wireless.

EGYPT TO BE CONSULTED

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister told the Commons at question time that His Majesty's Government proposed to consult the Egyptian Govern-

INVESTIGATION INTO SABOTAGE PROCEEDING

London, To-day.

Questioned in the Commons about the alleged sabotage of bombing planes at Ringway Aerodrome, the Under Secretary for Air said that on February 14, when two aircraft were about to be tested, it was discovered that the petrol tanks were leaking.

The matter was investigated and the conclusion was reached that the tanks had been pierced by a sharp instrument. Investigations were still proceeding.

He added that apart from this case, no cases of sabotage in the construction of aircraft had been brought to the notice of the Air Ministry in the past three months.—British Wireless.

R.A.B. PLANE SABOTAGE PROVED

London, To-day.

The Under-Secretary of State for Air stated in the House of Commons yesterday that there had been one case of sabotage in the R.A.F. during the last three months.

This occurred on Feb. 14 when the petrol tanks of two planes which were ready for test flights were pierced by sharp instruments.—Reuter.

ment in accordance with the provisions of the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty on all matters affecting Egyptian interests which arose during the forthcoming Anglo-Italian conversations.—British Wireless.

TRAVEL

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A New Theory About Love It's Really Opposite Faces!

It is not shining through the eyes from the heart that awakens love. We fall in love according to the law of facial differences. How often have you said: "Do you see that beautiful woman (or that handsome man)?" to receive the disappointing reply: "I see him (or her), but cannot see any special beauty."

Every face possesses beauty in the eyes of someone, and can be capable of rousing the passion of love. This should bring comfort to those who are plain Janes or Johns.

LOVE YOUR OPPOSITE!

Look at faces: some you would run miles from rather than kiss—others you long to but dare not.

This is explained by the fact that the secret of love attraction is disclosed by the truth that the person who attracts and bewitches has a face exactly opposite to your own. Study the faces of engaged or

married couples and you will see each pair of faces shows contrasts. Here is an example where the man's features show a downward tendency. The woman's show the reverse — upward and forward.

His eyes half-closed and slit-like. Hers wide and open.

His nose thin, large and pointing downwards with long thin nostrils. Hers small, wide, tip-tilted, with open nostrils.

His mouth long and thin-lipped. Hers short with full lips.

His chin square. Hers rounded. Given a certain type of face, it is possible to prophesy the features of its future lover.

On the other hand, repulsion is caused by similarity of facial type and features.

Many will repudiate with indignation this non-romantic yet practical explanation of "How love is born," but the fact remains that anyone who will study faces in the

light of this knowledge will discover the truth that the love and happiness between "Jack and Jill" is a matter of balance, each having different faculties of expression.

There are five main types of human, and each person is either one of them or a mixture of them.

The TRIANGLE TYPE'S face is like an inverted triangle, high, wide forehead which tapers from temples to chin, which is narrow, almost pointed.

This tells mental activity, wants to know the why and wherefore of things, can analyse, criticise and compare, has vision and imagination.

Such people are fastidious in taste, pleasing and persuasive, given to day-dreams, often absent-minded, interested in new methods in art, science, enjoy plays and films of the problem kind, voracious readers, dislike aggressive sports.

Strong Points: Too abstracted, dreamy, aloof, too reticent lacks self-esteem.

Weak Points: Impractical, too unselfish; as a man, a poor money-getter, and non-saver — woman, not practical, cannot make one shilling do the work of two.

The OVAL TYPE'S face is wide at the cheek bones, tapering gently upward to top of forehead and tapering downwards toward the chin.

This reveals an agreeable, affable, congenial, hospitable sociable character — one who delights to charm, entertain and please others: a lover of popularity, always on the go, changeable continually making new friends.

Strong Points: Frank, open and outspoken, lovers of limelight (excel on the stage), distinctive in dress, leaders of fashion, good taste in style and colour, fastidious. Quick thinkers can reach decisions without reflection.

Weak Points: Charm, vivaciousness, ambition to please, sympathetic.

Friendly, magnetic, good mixers, ambitious, adaptable, lovers of freedom.

Weak Points: Quick temper, vanity, affectation, too many spurts, impatience, emotionally uncontrolled, changeable, excitable.

The SQUARE TYPE'S face is square, the jaws come down squarely from the temples forming right angles with the chin.

This indicates talent, tact, prudence, courage, firmness.

They have executive power, do nothing by halves, lovers of freedom, fresh air, activity and motion, artistic, make good singers.

Good in all serious matters except prayer they excel as workers, craftsmen.

Strong Points: Generosity, straightforwardness, honesty, sincerity, democratic, muscular, staying power, enthusiastic, sympathetic, hard workers, good parents.

Weak Points: Loud-voiced, over cocksure, pugnacious, given to overwork, lack of concentration, anger, temper, too combative and argumentative, sarcastic.

The OBLONG TYPE'S face is long and oblong-shaped, bony, high cheek bones, narrow jaw bones.

This tells a firm, determined, strong, immovable, unchangeable and stable character.

Honest and trustworthy, they cannot be forced or driven. Unforgiving, "never darken my door again" folk, mathematical, orderly.

Strong Points: Careful in diet and habits, conservers of energy, methodical, punctual, keep word, honest, reliable, faithful and constant.

Weak Points: Reticence, awkwardness, disinclined to praise others, no mixers, bitterness, holders of grudges.

The ROUND TYPE'S face is round, curved, usually a double chin indicates a lover of the good things of life, very adaptable, hates argument, discord, contention or strife.

Agreeable, sociable they hate work, get others to do it.

Strong Points: Approachable, optimistic, affable, hospitable, strong digestion, non-emotional, sociable, always see the bright side of life, able to plan and command.

Weak Points: Tendency to flatter, self-indulgent, over-eating and sleeping, under-exercising, over-indulgent love of ease—indolence.



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CUMULATION OF WAR RESERVES PROCEEDS ON LARGE SCALE

London, To-day.

Army accumulation of war reserves is proceeding on a large scale, says the White Paper on defence.

Stages of design and development have already ended, or are within sight of completion, in respect of nearly all major articles of armament and equipment.

A certain amount of equipment, including modern vehicles, have already been issued to the Territorial Army.

New types of aircraft being delivered to squadrons have shown a high degree of performance.

Equipment, including many new improved types of armaments and instruments, has fulfilled all expectations, and deliveries are proceeding satisfactorily.

The number of types of aircraft are being progressively reduced.

SHADOW FACTORIES

Six shadow factories for air frames, air screws and bombs have been started or will shortly do so.

There are now eleven air service flying training schools.

The defence programme involves provision for additional storage and accommodation for all Services, entailing heavy expenditure.

Recruits are entering in greatly increased numbers.

Eleven thousand recruits entered for the Navy in the first nine months of the 1937 financial year.

There were 3,600 more army recruits in 1937 than in 1936.

CONCESSIONS GRANTED

Many concessions were granted, and a record number of 45,000 recruits were obtained for the Territorials.

The strength of all ranks increased by nearly 18,000.

Two new infantry battalions and one new tank battalion were formed.

Arrangements with the Governments of India will enable the continuance of mechanisation of cavalry regiments.

A.A. DIVISIONS

In connection with defence against air attack, two anti-aircraft divisions have increased their strength by 345 officers and 9,000 other ranks between April and December last year.

The balloon barrage scheme was successfully started, and most of the material has already been delivered.

Recruiting of auxiliary personnel will start in May.

A chapter of the White Paper is devoted to measures to protect the civilian population against air raids which the local authorities will undertake under the guidance of Government.

A training school for air raid precaution officers is being opened.

GAS RESPIRATORS

A large proportion of the gas respirators to supply the whole civilian population are already available, and the balance will be available by the end of the year.

Elaborate preparations to cope with the consequences of air raids have been launched, especially in regard to the outbreak of fire.

There are schemes to ensure the efficiency and operation of the various transport services and maintenance and distribution of food supplies and oil supplies.

Regarding the cost, the Estimates for the current financial year provide for expenditure of £284,000,000.

NEXT YEAR'S COST

For the ensuing year, provision is made for £352,000,000.

President indications are that the programmes in hand are likely to involve defence expenditure in 1939 in excess of the provisions in the 1938 Estimates.

Future expenditure will particularly depend on the degree of success which attends the Government's efforts to achieve some appeasement in international affairs.

1939 PEAK YEAR

The White Paper concluded: "It must be expected that even on the assumption that 1939, as now seems probable, will be the peak year in defence expenditure, total expenditure on defence over the five financial years 1937/41 will exceed the £1,500,000,000 mentioned in the White Paper of February, 1937."—Reuter.

HAEMORRHAGE OF THE BRAIN

Milan, To-day.

A bulletin issued by doctors who attended Gabriele d'Annunzio during his illness, states that the poet-warrior died from haemorrhage of the brain.

The patient's condition was hopeless on Monday evening, and in the course of Tuesday, d'Annunzio became steadily worse.—Trans-Ocean.

CHANCE OF PERSHING RECOVERY

Tucson (Arizona), To-day.

General Pershing, who has been dangerously ill for the past few days, spent a fairly restful night and the doctors now state that the immediate danger appears to have passed and there is a chance he will recover.—Reuter.

JAPANESE CLAIMS IN SHANSI

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese claim that their forces in west Shansi have captured the towns of Sanfenpu and Laoyenpu, the latter being the former headquarters of General Ho Chu-kuo.

They claim that they are pursuing the retreating Chinese towards Paotsh, on the north-west frontier of Shansi.

The Japanese ascribe their rapid success to their mastery in the air, claiming that all Chinese troop concentrations were harassed day and night by aircraft. Planes also played an important part in dropping provisions and ammunition by parachute.—Trans-Ocean.

GEN. DE LLANO DENIES GIB. THREAT

London, To-day.

The Duke of Alba, London representative of General Franco, yesterday handed to the Foreign Office a Note which gives the authentic text of the speech delivered by the insurgent "radio general," Queipo de Llano, in which he referred to Gibraltar.

It had been reported that de Llano had said: "Gibraltar will fortunately soon cease to be a lair of pirates, which it still is to-day."

The Note delivered in London yesterday consists of an emphatic denial that General de Llano made the remarks attributed to him.

All the General said, it is now alleged, was that Spain must be strong since her periods of weakness had always had most fatal consequences as, for instance, the period which followed the Spanish War of Succession, when Spain lost Gibraltar.—Trans-Ocean.

While driving car No. 3244, in Pokfulam Road yesterday, Mr. Kennedy Skipton knocked down a Chinese, Tang Hui, aged 42, who ran across the road and was struck by the handle of the door receiving injuries to the elbow and head. He was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital.

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MR. J. P. BRAGA'S PROTEST

—Though it may be the duty of Government, as stressed during previous debates on the Colony's housing problem, to hasten slowly in imposing restrictive legislation upon landlords, it is to be hoped that any new inquiries set on foot as the result of Mr. J. P. Braga's forceful letter to the Press will not be prolonged a day longer than is necessary. For that section of the community on whose behalf Mr. Braga is appealing any delay means a swelling of the number of the victimised and continuation of a practice which plainly, on the face of it, is iniquitous and prejudicial to the best interests of the Colony.

Some official action is definitely necessary to clear the air. As Mr. Braga says, since the housing problem assumed serious proportions in the autumn of last year, the gravity of the situation has been further accentuated rather than diminished. And not solely in the direction which the ex-Unofficial Member for Kowloon makes his special cause. Rents which were increased in the autumn have been further increased in many cases, while landlords who may have been a trifle doubtful about their position at that time have not hesitated, since the last discussion in Legislative Council, to jump their rents sky-high, the most recent instance brought to our attention being an increase from \$95 monthly to \$160.

The particular problem with which Mr. Braga deals, however, demands precedence in consideration. It raises bluntly for official consideration, the issue of whether, in their approval of a policy of throwing Hong Kong open as a sanctuary from war-torn China, bona-fide Hong Kong residents are to suffer, not only rent increases, a generally higher cost of living, but deprivation of decent shelter. Houses and flats are let over their heads to well-

to-do transient visitors, and notice to quit arrives without the slightest means of remedy or of appeal. As Mr. Braga insists, the least appeal that can be urged in their behalf is that Government should take into immediate consideration the passage of legislation making arbitrary eviction, without consultation or consideration, impossible. The Colony is enjoying a wave of commercial prosperity, but it is a prosperity that only in very small degree has reached down to the wage-earning population. Their lot is one of facing higher living costs without commensurate increases in earnings. To have the further hardships outlined imposed upon them may well be regarded as little short of intolerable.

Battle Of The Books

The English branch of the P. E. N. Club recently gave an evening to a discussion of "The New Battle of the Books," and invited members and guests to put forward the cases for authors, publishers, booksellers, book societies and book clubs. The battle was rather a mixed affray of all against all, some scenting an antagonist in the book societies, which, in Britain as in America, recommend selected books; others denouncing propagandist book clubs, of the Left and Right varieties; and yet others fearing the mass production of certain series of sixpenny books which might—or might not—deprive the author of his just earnings.

The British book trade has been the subject of a good many experiments and hazardous ventures disturbing to those who are anxious that the best books should be published and sold, and as many of them as possible. The problem has become complicated at the start by the huge numbers of books published—some 14,000 new works every year, jostling against one another in the scramble of the book market, the good, the indifferent, and the bad competing for a hearing.

There is here no ordinary case of mass production. These books are not like cases of standardized soap or canned fruit. Each is an individual thing, having to make its own demand and find its way to sympathetic, scattered and unknown readers; it is likely to be obscured by its fellows, and stands to gain by some fortunate hazard of publicity.

In proportion as a small number of books get more than their due in attaining the rank of best sellers, other, perhaps equally good books, tend to get less. It is to the interests of the average author, the publisher and the bookseller that the hazards of success should as far as possible be eliminated; that the element of gambling should be removed—that the publisher should be able to count on rewards for sound judgment and that the bookseller should know that when he orders a book which is a good book it will also be one that he can sell.

Many of the stunts of the modern book trade do not make for the health of authorship and publishing. Tricks of advertisement do not make for the emergence and survival of the fittest. The proper corrective is sound criticism. Measured and discreet reviewing in the long run is as serviceable to the producers of books as it is to the reading public.

TWO R.A.F. STATIONS IN NEW TERRITORIES

Provision Made In Air Estimates For 1938

AGREEMENT ON BRITISH FORMULA

London, To-day.

Russia has accepted in principle the formula for withdrawal of volunteers from Spain.

This means that Britain, Germany, France, Italy and the Soviet are united on the formula, which specifies the time at which limited belligerent rights are to be granted to the Spanish antagonists in relation to the withdrawal of foreigners.—Reuter.

Paris, To-day.

M. Yvon Delbos, French Foreign Minister, received the Republican Spanish Ambassador in Paris, Senor Osoria Y Gallardo, yesterday afternoon.

Problems at present under discussion at the London Non-Intervention Committee, especially the eventual restoration of International Control on the Spanish frontiers, were the topics of the conversation.

The French Foreign Minister outlined the French attitude, and is said to have declared that France wishes to re-establish control of the Franco-Spanish borders only if, at the same time, control of the Portuguese-Spanish border is resumed.—Trans-Ocean.

CENSORSHIP ASSURANCES DISTRUSTED

Shanghai, To-day.

A Japanese Embassy statement which accompanied the announcement of a postal censorship, says the censorship is necessitated by military reasons and will be confined "almost" exclusively to Chinese mail, and an attempt will be made not to interfere with private and business correspondence of foreigners.

Foreign quarters are inclined to doubt this, and are of opinion that every letter and parcel coming into Shanghai will be opened by the Japanese.—Trans-Ocean.

FATHER JACQUINOT COMING TO H.K.

Shanghai, To-day.

Father Jacquinot is sailing for Hong Kong this morning in the Tjinegara.

It is understood that his mission is to raise funds to carry on relief work among the war victims in Shanghai.

Father Jacquinot is accompanied by Mr. W. H. Plant, well-known local American business man, who is also on the Committee of the Nantao Safety Area.—Reuter.

Work At Pat Heung Likely To Start Almost Immediately

London, To-day.

The British Air Estimates, announced yesterday, represent six times the amount expended before air expansion started in 1935.

Except for one squadron, all the home defence squadrons were completed by July last, so efforts are now largely concentrated on overseas and expansion of the Empire defence scope.

There are widespread allocations to new works and buildings, for example, additional accommodation on the landing ground at Aden, barracks and technical accommodation at Bahrein, a landing ground at Jesselton, North Borneo.

Further sums are provided to continue work on the landing grounds on the Calcutta-Singapore route, and construction of a station at Trincomali, Ceylon, ultimately costing \$500,000.

Other works include improvements to the aerodrome at Gibraltar, extended accommodation for the Fleet Air Arm at Hong Kong, new stations at Hat Sun and Pat Heung, in the New Territories, and developments in Iraq.

In Malaya, apart from further extension of the Singapore air base, provision is made for new stations at Kulang and Sungei Patani.

Funds are provided for equipment of the depot at Malta and a station at Luqa.—Reuter.

NEW STATIONS

Pat Heung is the site of the landing field recently constructed between Kam Tin and Taimoshan. At present, it consists solely of a surface field. The new Estimates provide for the construction of hangers, workshops, etc. (all the equipment of an R.A.F. station) and work is likely to be started within the next two or three months.

The site of the proposed new station at Ha Tsun is believed to be the Ping Shan peninsula, on the Deep Bay side of Castle Peak.

SEAPLANE BASE

News of inclusion in the Estimates of provision for a new station at Ha Tsun has come as a surprise to R.A.F. quarters in Hong Kong, as no steps have hitherto been made to acquire the site selected as potentially useful for a seaplane base from the Government.

The area is the centre of an oyster industry and some difficulty may be experienced in securing the site. In any event, although allocations have been made, it is most unlikely that any preparatory work can be started for some considerable time at Ha Tsun.

It is also pointed out that, although some allowance was made in the current Estimates for work at Pat Heung, none of the money has been spent, although the R.A.F. have taken over the prepared site from the contractor.

REBEL WAR ACE'S APPEAL TO LOYALISTS

Saragossa, To-day.

The famous insurgent war-ace Garcia Morato, credited with having shot down 32 Government planes, read a letter addressed to the Chief of the Republican Air Force, Hidalgo de Cisneros, over the insurgent Spanish Radio last night and dropped the same over the Republican lines.

The letter reads:

"My friend Captain Haya has been killed in an airfight on the Teruel front. I apply, not to my friends of yesterday and enemies of to-day, but to my fighting comrades on behalf of the wife of the dead, asking you to return the body. If we meet again, some day in the air, I will greet you gratefully before starting a fight."

Captain Haya, one of the best Spanish fliers, was killed a fortnight ago in an airfight near Teruel.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW JAPANESE NAVAL THREAT ALLEGED

London, To-day.

The First Lord of the Admiralty was asked in the Commons if he had any information to give the House regarding the building by Japan of a new series of small battlecruisers carrying heavy guns, for use as commercial raiders, and what steps the Board of Admiralty proposed to take to deal with such a development.

Mr. Duff Cooper said the answer to the first part of the question was negative and the second part, therefore, did not really arise, but the House would be aware that the question of Japanese naval construction was at present under consideration by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom in consultation with the other Powers concerned.—British Wireless.

EDEN REPORT DISCOUNTED

London, To-day.

That Mr. Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, might be appointed Ambassador in Washington was the surprising report appearing in a London morning newspaper yesterday.

Trans-Ocean learns on good authority that no credence can be placed in the report, though the newspaper declared its source to be reliable.—Trans-Ocean.

Firing On Imperial Airways "Apology"

London, To-day.

The incident arising out of the firing by Japanese warcraft on the Imperial Airways' liner, Delphinus, bound from Penang to Hong Kong, on February 21, is considered closed in official circles in London.

It is intimated: It was perhaps an overstatement to call the explanation made by the Japanese Consul-General in Hong Kong an apology, but this interpretation was originally placed on it.—Reuter.

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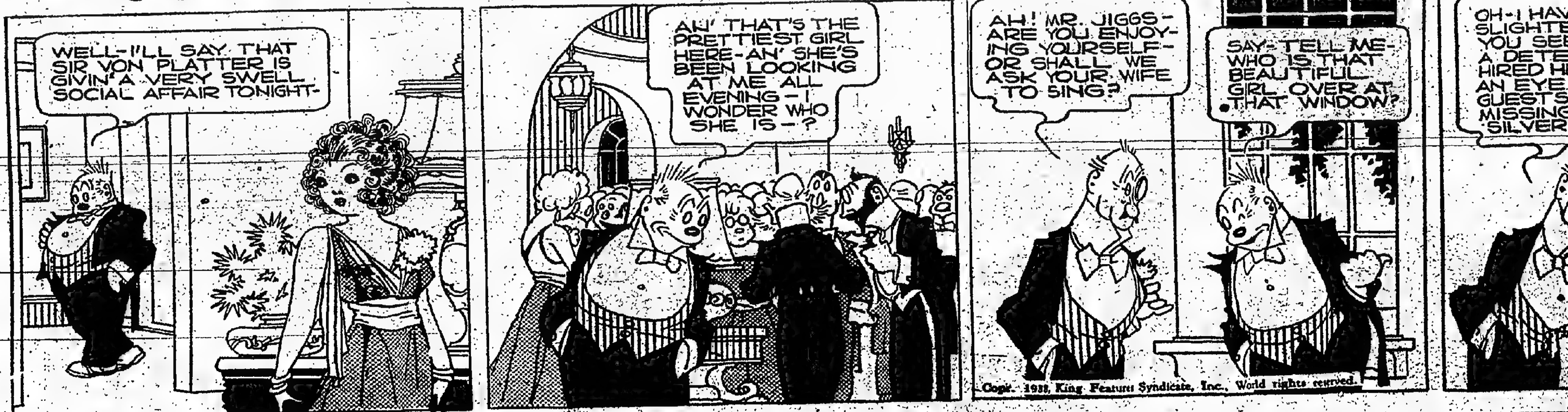
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Startling Charges In Indictment Of New Moscow Trial

Moscow, To-day.

The indictment against the twenty-one prominent Bolsheviks in the new "Moscow trial" is very lengthy and full of the most extraordinary allegations.

For example, it says that the accused, Bukharin, testified that Karl Radek, the Soviet writer, told him in 1934 that Trotsky considered that the principal chance of the bloc formed by the Trotskyites coming into power was the defeat of the Soviets in a war with Germany and Japan, and Trotsky proposed after this defeat to surrender the Ukraine to Germany and the Far Eastern provinces to Japan.

The accused Khodjayeve is said to have testified that Bukharin urged that Uzbekistan and Turkmenia be separated from the Soviets and become protectorates of Japan and Germany.

The indictment declares that the accused not only planned to open the Soviet fronts to Fascist armies in time of war but also were prepared to undermine the defence industries, wreck troop trains and paralyse the entire economic life of the country, as well as food and ammunition supplies for the army.

FAR EAST INCIDENTS

The accused Krestinsky is said to have testified that a number of acts of diversion committed in the Far East were carried out by participants in an anti-Soviet plot on direct instructions from the Japanese intelligence service.

For example, a military freight train was wrecked at Volchayevka and 21 persons were killed and 45 injured.

The indictment alleges that Maxim Gorky and other prominent Soviet personalities were victims of a plot to "liquidate" Soviet leaders in order to facilitate defeat of the Soviet in war.

SEVEN ARRESTS

The recent disappearance of seven prominent Soviet leaders was explained by the testimony of the accused Grinko, incriminating them in the alleged plot.

They were Rudzutak, former member of the all-powerful Politbureau; Yakovleva, the woman Commissar of Finance; Ossinsky, chief of the Statistical Administration; Yakovlev, President of the Agricultural Commission of the Communist Party; Antipov, secretary of the Central Executive Committee; Berga-

min, political chief of the Great Northern Sea Route, who appears to be charged with plotting to assassinate Stalin, and Varekhis, secretary of the Communist Party in the Far East.

It transpires that all seven were arrested and will be tried separately from the present accused.—Reuter.

RIGHT WING GROUP

The document alleges that investigations carried out by the People's Commissariat for Home Affairs had proved that the accused had organised on behalf of certain foreign states inimical to the Soviet Union "a group of Right Wing extremists and Trotskyists" whose aim was to conspire against the Soviet Republic in order to destroy the existing Socialist form of society and substitute a bourgeois capitalist regime.

The accused are further charged with attempting to dismember the Soviet Union.

The group founded by the accused is said to include Trotskyists, adherents of the late M. Zinoviev, Mensheviks, social revolutionaries and Ukrainian bourgeois nationalists.

PILES OF DOCUMENTS

In support of the prosecution, a large quantity of documentary material relating to the trial of Marshal Tukhachevsky and other famous State trials have been collected.

The act of accusation affirmed that the defendants in the present trial entirely lack support among the population of the Soviet Union and rely exclusively on promises of armed assistance from foreign States to realise their programme of dismemberment and disintegration of the Soviet Union. Trans-Ocean.

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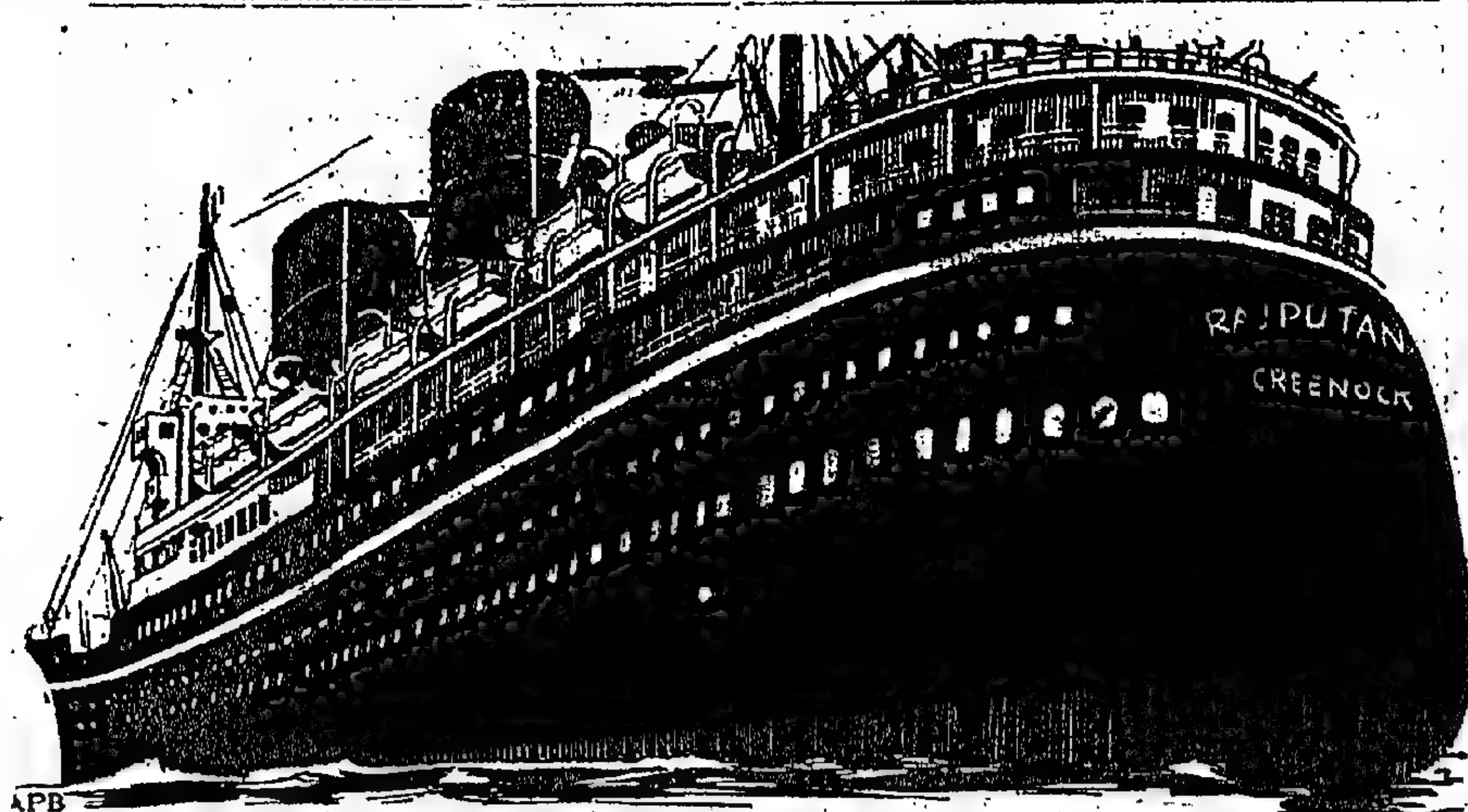
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Shanghai and Japan	Par.,	Mar. 4, 5.00 p.m.
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	Reg.,	Mar. 5, 8.30 a.m.
	Ord.,	Fri., Mar. 4.

Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st April.	Comorin	G.P.O. and K.P.O.
	Par.,	Mar. 4, 5.00 p.m.
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	Ord.,	Mar. 5, 10.30 a.m.

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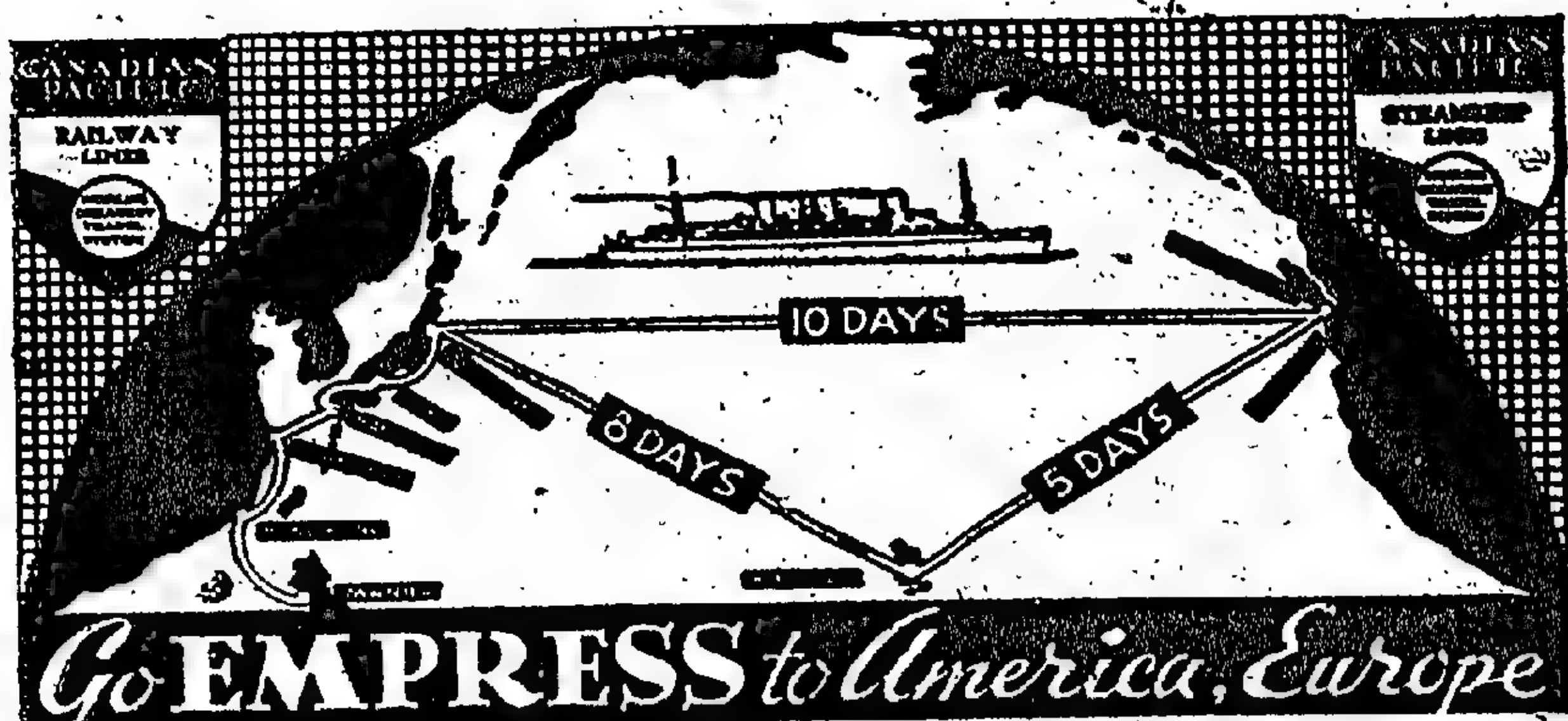
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LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2%.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London yesterday at 20-1/16 and forward at 19-13/16.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$5.0175 and the New York on London rate at £—U.S.\$5.01-13/16.

Rome, To-day.

The meeting of the Fascist Grand Council has been postponed from to-day to March 10 on account of the death of Gabriele d'Annunzio and the subsequent state burial.—Trans-Ocean.

**NEW
ADVERTISEMENTS**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 28th March, 1938, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1937.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 12th to 28th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 3rd March, 1938.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong), on Wednesday, the 6th day of April, 1938, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1937, and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday, the 18th March, 1938, to Wednesday, the 6th April, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
F. C. BARRY,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 2nd March, 1938.

**TRINITY COLLEGE
EXAMINATION**

The results of the Trinity College of Music (London) Theory Examinations, held at the University of Hong Kong on December 5 last, are as follows:

Examinations for Teachers' Diplomas.—Mae Bunn and Aivena Laihovet-sky (Rudiments only).

**ADVANCED INTERMEDIATE
DIVISION**

Honours.—Lily Tsang and Mabel Tsang; Pass.—Cecilia Passos.

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

Honours.—Elsie Cadiz, Eugene Chao and Agnes Rosa Duckworth; Pass with Merit.—Ellen Chaw, Julian Chua, Rayann Huang, Helen Lou, Doreen Luey, Joyce Wang, Wai Ching-wong.

ADVANCED JUNIOR DIVISION

Pass with Merit.—Charles Chan and Doreen Marjorie Robertson.

JUNIOR DIVISION

Honours.—Pauline Beck, Eula Cheong, David Charles George Choa, Betty Houghton and Amy Tsang.

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Honours.—John Beresford Labrum, Gloria June Moss, Eleanor Alma Rogers, Melba Maria de Sousa, Ines Soares, Pauline Mavis Strange and Norma Tsang; Pass.—Viola Marguerite Rogers.

The above results were supplied by Mr. J. E. Anderson, local Secretary.

**NONAGENARIAN'S
BIRTHDAY**

Augsburg, To-day.

An unusual party of congratulators assembled for the 90th birthday of Roman Schmid, former Master Mason and mayor of the small Bavarian village of Leitershofen.

As many as 12 children, 58 grandchildren, the same number of great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren, making a total of 131 direct descendants, personally presented their congratulations to the hale nonagenarian.—Trans-Ocean.

**SOVIET OIL
PRODUCTION**

Moscow, To-day.

Soviet Russian oil production, in the opinion of responsible authorities, is unable to meet the increasing requirements of the army, navy and air force.

Industry and agriculture have, therefore, been ordered to use the strictest economy. Agricultural machinery and tractor stations must cut down the consumption of petrol by 20 per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

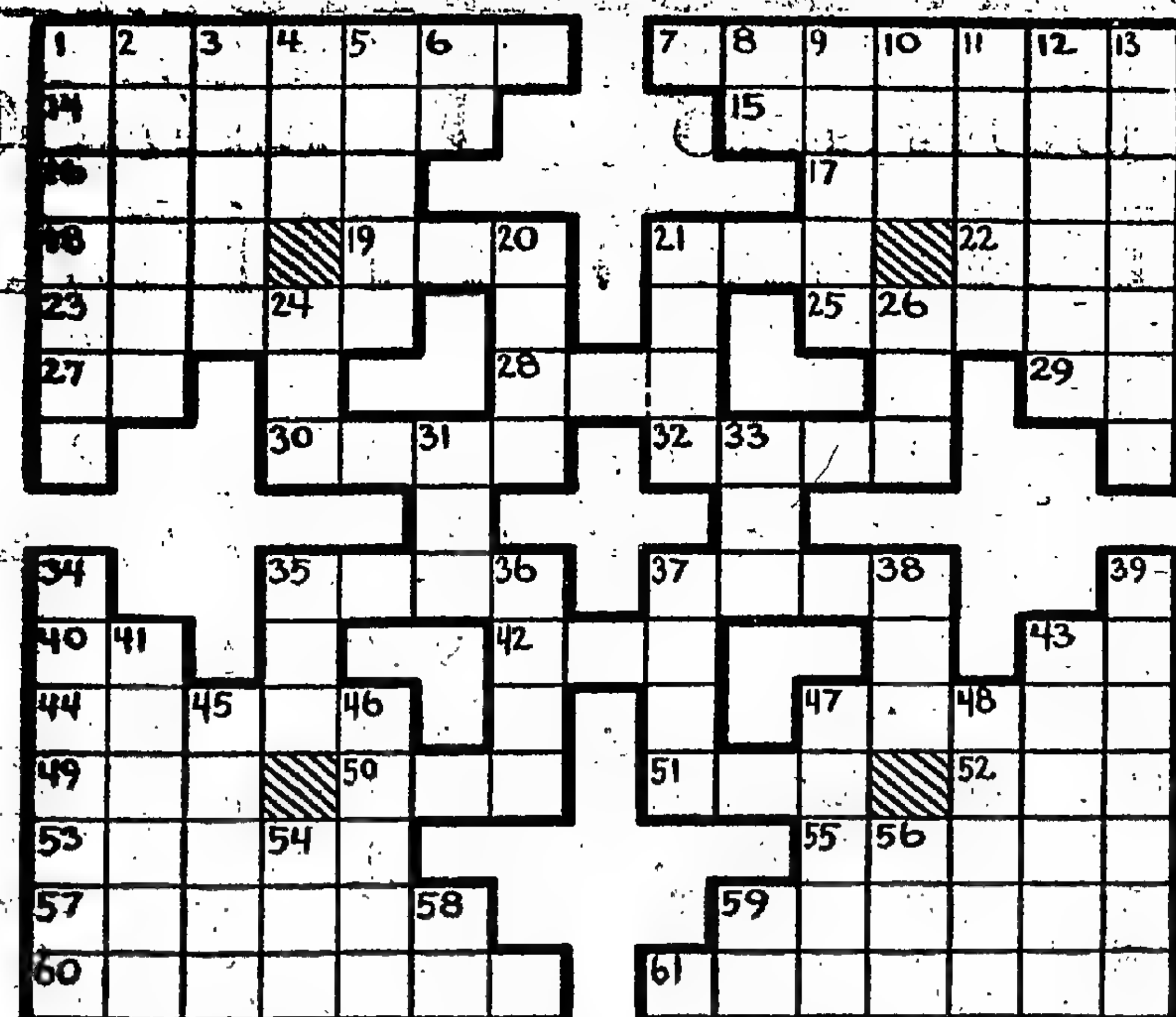
**Singapore Raw
Rubber**

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co. have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

April/June 24-1/8 b. down 1/8.
July/Sept. 24-3/4 b. down 1/8.
Oct/Dec. 24-3/4 b. down 1/8.
Market: Dull.

The s.s. "Tanda" left Moji for this Port on the 27th ultimo and is due here on the 3rd instant at about noon.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Snake
7-Scolds
14-Wandering
15-Period of time
16-A venerated person
17-Oil of roses
18-A letter
19-Fairy
21-Decay
22-Open (Poet.)
23-Small mammal related to the monkey
25-Fog-horn
27-Limited (abbr.)
28-Sag
29-Prefix. Apart
30-Part of the face
32-Search
35-Fix the rank of
37-Mischiefous children
40-A college degree (abbr.)
42-Foot-like organ
43-Very
44-Creep
47-A gem stone (pl.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 48-A metal
50-Part of a circle
61-Make a mistake
52-Small piece
53-Increased
55-Serious
57-To seesaw
59-Tormentor
60-Perfume
61-A season (pl.)

VERTICAL

- 1-Sells again
2-Rubbed out
3-A geometrical figure
4-Cure hides
5-Bury
6-A military title (abbr.)
8-Type measure
9-Reveals
10-An insect
11-Teach
12-Troop supplies (Fr.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 13-More quiet
20-Wilt
21-Tears
24-Vase with a foot
26-Writing fluid
31-Series
33-Shade tree
34-Make like milk
35-Uncooked
36-A heroic poem
37-Island (Poet.)
38-Weaken
39-Large advertising sheets
41-Newly married women
43-Splinter
45-Mountains in South America
46-Loaded
47-Musical instrument
48-Decline
54-Ate (Obs.)
56-Ritardando (abbr.)
58-Red Cross (abbr.)
59-Prefix. Twice

LOCAL SHARE

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:-

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1580 b.

INSURANCES

Canton Ins. \$272½ b.
Union Ins. \$547½ b., \$550/55 sa.
China Underwriters \$1½ b.
H. K. Fire Ins. \$247½ b.

SHIPPING

Douglases \$59½ b.
Union Waterboats \$930 b.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.

H. K. and K. Wharves \$133 b., \$133 sa.

H. K. and W. Docks \$33¼ b., \$31/34 sa.

Providents (Old) \$3.05 b.
Providents (New) \$1.05 b.

MINING

Antamoks Ps. .60 sa.
Atoks Ps. .28 sa.
Baguio Gold Ps. .25 sa.
Benguet Consol. Ps. .070 sa.
Coco Grove Ps. .66 sa.
Consolidated Mines Ps. .011 sa.
Demonstrations Ps. .39½ sa.
I. X. L. Ps. .79 sa.
Paracale Gumaus Ps. .24½ sa.
San Mauricio Ps. .63 sa.
Suyoc Consol. Ps. .22 sa.
United Paracales Ps. .48½ sa.

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H. K. and S. Hotels \$7¼ b., \$7.35 s., \$7.7¼ sa.

H. K. Lands \$35 b.

Chinese Estates \$87 b.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$15.40 b., \$15½ sa.
Peak Trams (Old) \$6½ b.
Peak Trams (New) \$3¼ s.
Star Ferries \$83 b., \$83½ sa.
Yaumati Ferries \$25½ b.
China Lights (Old) \$12.20 b., \$12.15/20 sa.

China Lights (New) \$9.10 b.
H. K. Electrics \$61¼ b., \$61½/¾ sa.

Macao Electrics \$19¼ b.

Telephones (Old) \$27¼ b.

Telephones (New) \$10.20 b.

INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$15½ b., \$15.40 sa.

H. K. Ropes \$5¼ b.

STORES, &C.

Watsons \$6.45/50 sa.

MISCELLANEOUS

Entertainments \$7 b.

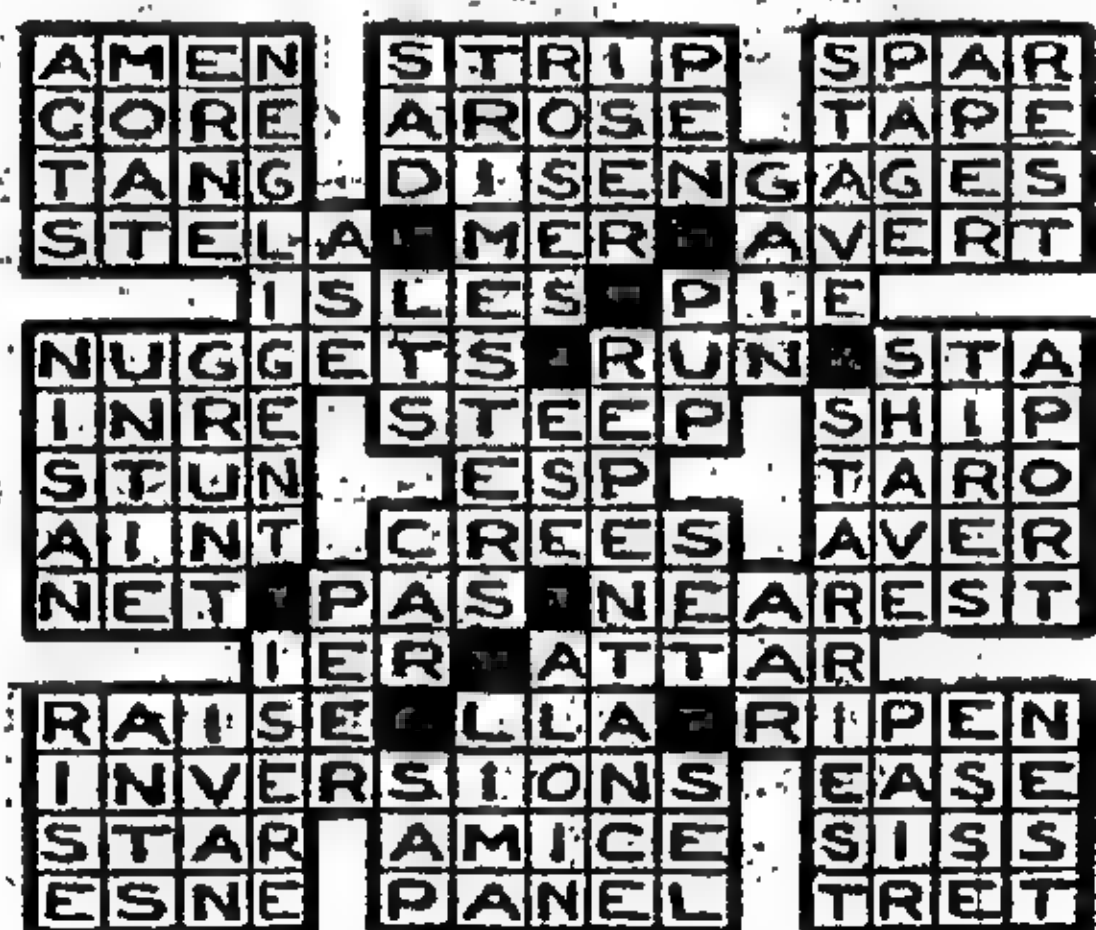
Constructions \$1½ b.

H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 3¼ %pm. b.

Wallace Harpers \$6¼ b.

Marssmans Inv. (H.K.) s/- 4/9 s.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



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Hong Kong, 1st January, 1935.

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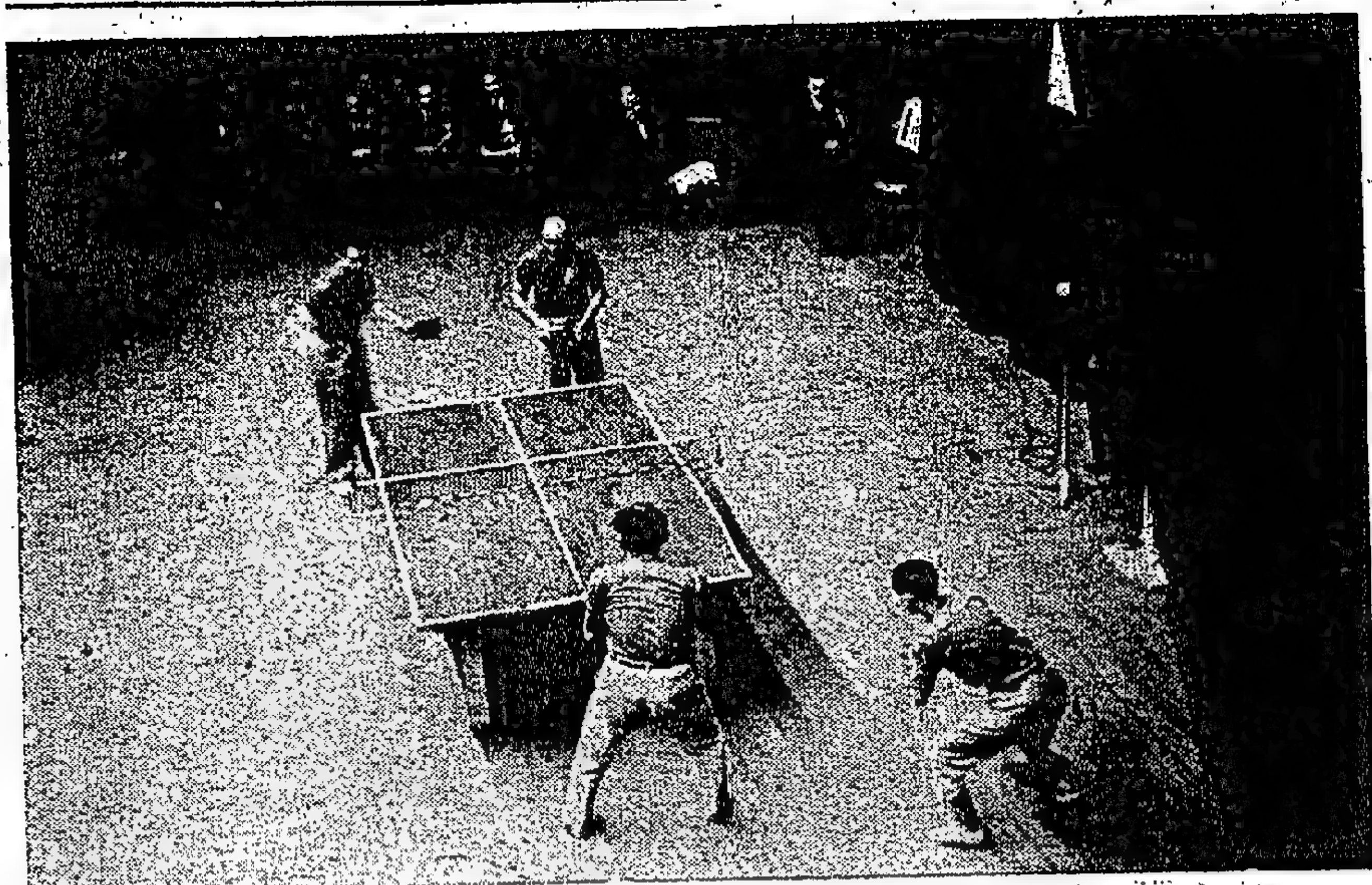
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COLONY TENNIS IN DOLDRUMS



Miklos Szabados and Istvan Kelen, former world and Hungarian and world table-tennis champions, seen in action on farther side of table, gave their first exhibition before well-filled houses at the King's Theatre yesterday.

RUMJAHN COUSINS GIVEN BIG FRIGHT HARRISON AND SANDER FAIL AT CRUCIAL MOMENT

GREAT excitement prevailed at the H.K.C.C. yesterday when G. H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn, holders of the Colony Doubles Tennis Championship, nearly conceded the first set of their encounter to H. V. Harrison and W. Sander, who led the cousins by 5 games to 1 and held three set points, but simply could not produce the winning shot to secure the set.

Harrison and Sander, particularly the latter, were in great form during this set and carried the attack to their opponents, who were greatly off colour, Sirdar Rumjahn being particularly weak in most departments.

Sander's powerful forehand drive-volley repeatedly caught the Rumjahn cousins napping, and had he possessed more sting in his overhead work, the European pair might have carried the set. Harrison was very steady on his backhand, but failed dismally in his lobbing, which was either too short or too long.

Sirdar's erratic form, in the early stages of the first set, had a disquieting effect on his partner, whose usually brilliant half-volleys ended in the net.

STAMINA FAILS

Harrison and Sander carried all before them in the first three games and conceded the vital fourth, when the latter drove out of the court. They rallied strongly in the fifth and sixth games, but

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RESULTS AT A GLANCE

SINGLES

- Wei Chung beat B. Agafuroff 6-1, 6-1.
- Wong Shui-wing beat A. Warr 6-3, 6-4.
- O. L. Pang received a walk-over from M. Drysdale.
- G. Choa beat G. W. Sewell 6-3, 6-2.
- D. K. Leung beat T. E. Wheble 6-3, 6-2.

DOUBLES

- S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn beat F. V. Harrison and W. Sander 7-5, 6-2.
- E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung beat S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain 6-0, 6-2.

The match between A. V. Gosano and A. V. Remedios and N. W. Dimsey and P. Delaney was postponed until to-day.

SUGGESTED REASON FOR LOW STANDARD TO WHAT EXTENT IS THE LEAGUE TO BLAME?

(By "ADREM")

WITH unflinching regularity, at some stage of the Open Tennis Championships, comes an outcry at the poor standard that persists in the Colony and which, if anything, is inclined to get poorer each year.

IT IS ALWAYS THE SUREST BET IN THE WORLD THAT THE EVENTUAL TITLE-HOLDERS WILL BE DRAWN FROM A SELECT BAND OF ABOUT HALF A DOZEN PLAYERS WHO HAVE OCCUPIED THE TOP-FLIGHT FOR YEARS.

The younger players never seem to appreciably improve. The only ones that I can recollect having done so in the last decade, are the Tsui brothers and their success I attribute to enterprise—and there is little doubt that what they have achieved is due to the fact that have always looked for opportunities to attack.

I have given the subject a good deal of thought. Conditions here are such that sufficient enthusiasm and application to the game should lead to automatic development.

There are adequate facilities for practice under the best possible conditions; periodical visits from first-class players demonstrate stroke-play and court-craft and, if there are no coaches, excellent books, simply written, should be sufficient to give the grounding that practice should in time perfect.

That there is enthusiasm in Hong Kong is evident—visit any club over a week-end and see for yourself—and yet, this horrible state of stagnation which is so difficult to understand.

I wonder to what extent the League is responsible for this state of affairs. For years now the majority of the League titles have been in the hands of the Chinese Recreation Club and it seems to me; their type of game, which they have always found eminently successful, has been transmitted to the teams they play.

I am not blaming the C.R.C. in any way. In the face of the strong rivalry that exists among leading tennis clubs for the honour of coming out top at the end of a season, it is only natural that the Chinese should be content to persist in the negative tactics namely—get everything back and wait for the other fellow to make the mistakes—which always makes them so difficult to beat.

It is also equally natural that other clubs, realising the futility of trying to win games by aggressive means in the one set they play against each of the opposing combinations, should strive to beat the Chinese at their own game.

And there, I feel, we have the reason for the deplorable type of game which is now being witnessed in the Colony's major tournament.



TO-DAY'S TENNIS MATCHES

Several Good Ties Anticipated

Several interesting ties should be witnessed in the Colony. Singles and Doubles Lawn Tennis Championships, on the H.K.C.C. Courts, to-day, especially as Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui, former holders of the Doubles title, will be on view.

In the Singles, Frank Kwok, the well-known C.R.C. left-hander, will be up against a very steady player in Henry Chan, of the Kowloon Tong Club. Kwok should win, as he is displaying fairly sound form at the moment and is always a dangerous opponent.

Joe Leonard and Wong Fuk-nam should provide another even tie, in which the former should emerge winner, while Lee Wai-tong and Stewart Gray will also clash in what promises to be a most interesting encounter.

The Tsui brothers, who are favoured to regain the title at present held by the inimitable Rumjahn cousins, should experience no difficulty against Ng Kam-chuen and P. F. Cheng.

TO-DAY

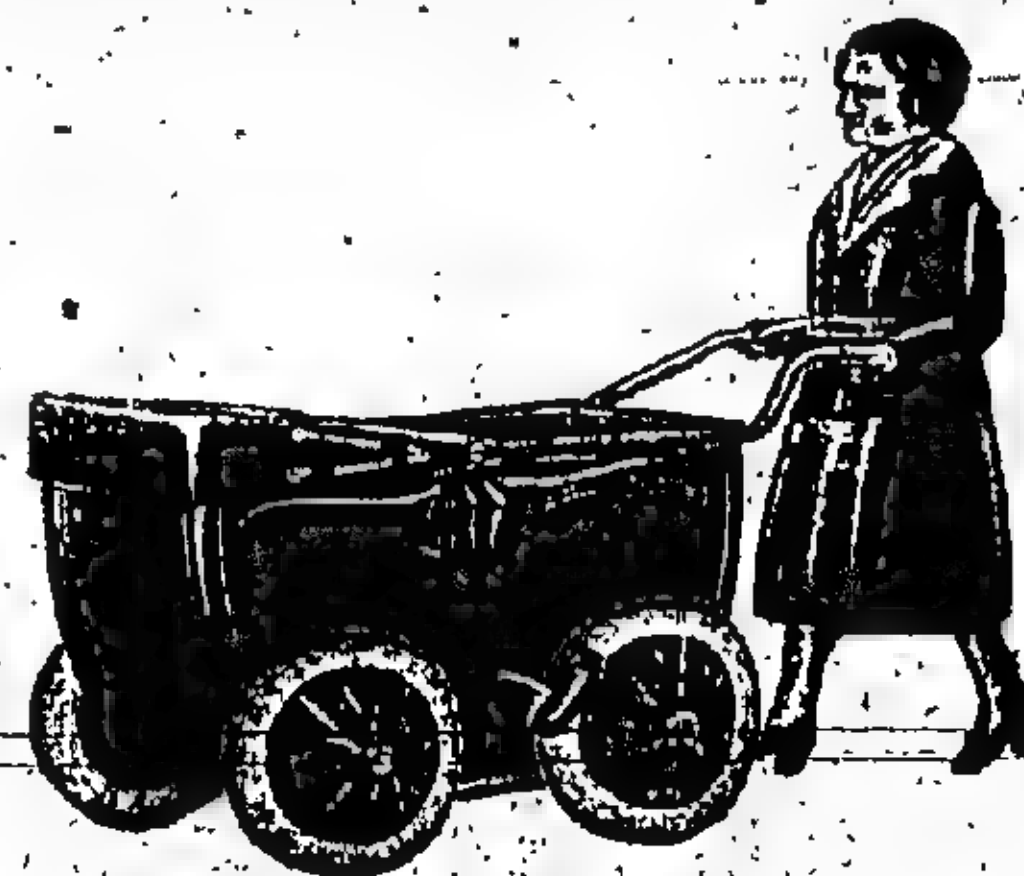
Open Singles

F. H. Kwok	v	H. Chan
Wong Fuk-nam	v	J. W. Leonard
Paul Kong	v	Y. C. Lau
M. W. Lo	v	Firdos Khan
Lee Wai-tong	v	S. A. Gray

Open Doubles

I. Agafuroff and Pengelly	v	Wheble and Douglass.
Rump and Lt. Watt	v	Newham and Baines.
Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui	v	Ng Kam-chuen and P. F. Cheng.

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"PAT" CLARK'S FINE GESTURE

IN THEIR LAST EXHIBITION GAME PRIOR TO THEIR DEPARTURE FOR MANILA ON SATURDAY, THE ISLINGTON CORINTHIANS DEFEATED A COMBINED HONG KONG FOOTBALL CLUB AND POLICE TEAM BY 4 GOALS TO 2 ON THE CLUB GROUND YESTERDAY, BEFORE A FAIR CROWD WHO WERE ENTERTAINED TO SOME DELIGHTFUL SOCCER, INCLUDING NEAT INTER-PASSING AND POSITIONAL PLAY, BY THE VISITORS.

In order to permit the spectators to see all their players in action, several changes were made in the second half and in that period, Pat Clark, the skipper, in spite of his recent bereavement, sportingly turned out.



Tennis

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thereafter their staying powers began to fail them, while forcing tactics by the Rumjahns forced Harrison to lob the ball with disastrous results, the Rumjahns securing the next six games in a row.

Harrison and Sander took the first two games in the second set fairly comfortably, and it very much looked as if they would again secure a substantial lead, but "Sirdar" recovered his confidence, while "H. D." tucked away many winners and they secured the second set and match.

FINCHER SHINES

E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung experienced no difficulty in disposing of the Hussain brothers in straight sets, "Teddy" being in exceptionally good form, particularly in his service, while Hung was deadly overhead, except for a short period in the second set, when several "sitters" were badly mistimed. The match was remarkable for the many net-cords served by Fincher in the opening set.

G. Choa, probably the most promising player in the Colony, secured a straight sets victory over a veteran campaigner in G. W. Sewell, but not without a fight, Choa's youth and retrieving powers providing the deciding issue.

A fairly interesting singles match was witnessed between A. Warr, the Army champion, and Wong Shiu-wing, well-known C. R. C. performer, who also won in straight sets, although he was fully extended and at times clearly outclassed, reaping a reward from Warr's mistakes at the net.

J. Miller, who has just joined his side, from Singapore, played his first game here yesterday, and was seen on the left-wing, where he displayed a good turn of speed.

As so much has already been written of the Corinthians there is little that one can add, except that Bradbury, on the right-wing, gave a very good display.

OUR BEST MEN

For the local side, Fowler at centre forward, and Skinner in goal, were the outstanding players and were continually in the limelight.

Fowler was his usual dashing self, and scored both his side's goals, one from a penalty.

L. D. Skinner was kept busy throughout the afternoon, dealing with shots fired from all quarters. True, he was not called upon to save any really powerful drives, but the habit of the Corinthian forwards to test him on every occasion possible kept him continually on the alert.

PEARCE TOO SLOW

Pearce, who played his first game this season, was very slow. He hung too far back and spoiled a good opportunity of sending Fowler through in the second-half, when he hung on to the ball and then distributed to the wing.

Parker played a hard game, at centre-half, and had a trying time against the visiting inside-forwards, while both Brittain and D. Hynes his wing halves, performed as well as they were allowed to.

The Corinthians took the lead through Braithwaite, who scored from close range, after Fowler had missed two opportunities of sliding his side in the lead. The latter, however, made amends when he equalised after breaking through on his own.

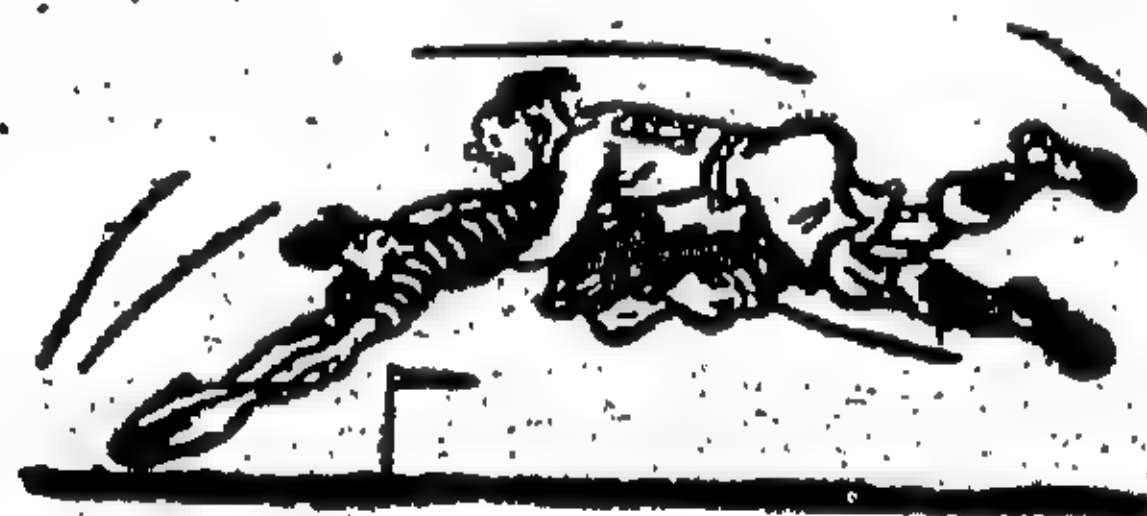
LEAD AGAIN

The Corinthians again secured the lead within the next minute, when Sherwood scored with a hard drive that neither Bone, the full-back, nor Skinner, saw till the ball rested in the back of the net. A pass-back by Whittaker, to Longman, was anticipated by Fowler, who ran through and intercepted the goalkeeper, but in the act of shooting into an empty goal, he was grasped by Longman, and from the resultant penalty, scored.

Harrassed by Sherwood, Skinner in attempting to clear the ball, kicked in it against Sherwood and the ball rebounded into the net. Just before the final whistle, the Corinthians made the issue safe when Braithwaite scored a good goal.



This H.M.S. Herald player was caught as he converted a try during the Blarney Stone Rugby Seven-a-Side preliminaries last Monday afternoon, on the Club ground. ("Mail" photo).



BLARNEY-STONE RUGBY SEVENS FOR TO-DAY

Second Series Of Preliminaries

Further games in the Blarney-Stone Rugby Seven-A-Side Tournament will be played on the Club ground at Happy Valley to-day commencing at 4 p.m.

Seven games will be featured and play will continue until after 6 p.m.

Although the start of the matches is at 4 p.m., spectators need not be deterred from attendance as there will be at least four matches to be seen after 5 p.m. Admission to any stand is 50 cents, with Service men, in uniform, at half price.

Ties to be played to-morrow are as follows:

4 p.m.—Seaforths "C" v. Malayan Prince.
4.20 p.m.—Middlesex "A" v. Middlesex "B".
4.40 p.m.—Winners first game v. Royal Scots "A".
5 p.m.—Club "A" v. Police.
5.20 p.m.—R. E. v. Civil Service.
5.40 p.m.—Seaforths "A" v. Butterfield and Swire.
6 p.m.—Seaforths "B" v. Hong Kong Bank.

This will leave eight teams in the finals to be played on the same ground, next Saturday, commencing at 3 p.m.

H. E. the Governor hopes to be present to view the latter stages of the Tournament.

Before the games on Saturday and during the intervals, by kind permission of the Officer Commanding and Officers, the Band of the 2nd Bn. Royal Scots will play.

MALAYAN BADMINTON PLAYER

Fine Performance Against Holder In All-England Badminton Tourney

A Malayan badminton player, performed with great credit in the All England Championships which are now in progress.

H. S. Ong reached the fourth round and only after a hard tussle with R. C. F. Nichols, probably the finest player in the world, holder of the England singles and doubles titles and also the Scottish singles, did he succumb.

Nichols won the first game 15-11 and the second 15-5.—Reuter.



STOCKPORT RECEIVE SHOCK IN HOME MATCH

London, To-day.

Charlton, playing a mid-week match at home, yesterday, beat Stoke by three clear goals, in the First Division, while in the Second Division, Stockport received a shock in their home match, when they conceded both points to Newcastle, losing by 3 goals to 1.—Reuter.

FRENCH HORSE FOR GRAND NATIONAL.

Paris, January 22.
Takvor Pacha, the Marquis de San Miguel's five-year-old gelding, which is likely to be France's only representative in the Grand National at Aintree, has been shipped to England.

Before running in the Grand National Takvor Pacha, which is by Mazeppa from Have A Care, will compete in a steeplechase at Sandown Park on Feb. 5. He will be ridden by A. Kalley. Takvor Pacha, a sound jumper, has secured the nickname of "Eternally Placed."

YORK CITY MAKE HISTORY AS CUP GIANT-KILLERS

London, January 24.

York City are the giant-killers of the 1938 struggle for the Cup. Their 3-2 triumph over such seasoned Cup-fighters as West Bromwich Albion was the outstanding achievement of the Fourth Round ties, writes Frank Coles.

This must have been an amazing match. Twice the Albion were in front, and with only 10 minutes



left were leading 2-1. Then Baines, the York centre-forward, who had previously converted a penalty, equalised and immediately completed his hat-trick.

If, as appears likely, New Bright-



ton are knocked-out in Wednesday's replay on the "Spurs ground, York will be the sole survivors of the Third Division. They are 13th in the Northern Section table.

New Brighton, by the way, gave the 'Spurs many anxious moments in a goalless game—one of four draws. The replays should all be won by the home teams, though Liverpool are sure to be very heavily pressed by Sheffield United.

They're fragrant



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FOOTBALL FORM GUIDE

Comprehensive Table Shows Form At A Glance

A comprehensive guide to the form of all Clubs in the four premier English Football Leagues and the premier Scottish League will be found in the appended table. To assist in comparing the teams, details of how they fared in their last five matches are given.

The letters W, L, and D indicate matches won, lost and drawn respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters, while away games are denoted by ordinary type. The figures in brackets denote the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season, an asterisk denotes that that team has been promoted and a dagger that that team has been relegated.

FIRST DIVISION		HOME										AWAY										Goals Pts. TL	
		P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	TL						
Wolves (5)	WwWww	28	13	8	1	4	27	12	20	15	8	5	2	17	21	18	38						
Arsenal (3)	ldWWwd	30	14	11	1	2	24	17	24	16	4	7	5	20	24	13	37						
Brentford (6)	IDILI	31	16	9	3	4	34	20	22	15	5	7	3	18	29	13	35						
Leeds (19)	wdWID	30	16	9	1	6	32	20	24	14	2	6	6	19	27	10	34						
Preston (14)	dwLdD	30	16	7	2	8	27	16	22	14	3	5	6	21	20	12	34						
Bolton (20)	ILdDd	31	16	7	4	5	29	21	19	15	3	4	8	17	24	14	33						
Charlton (2)	dwlW	27	14	9	2	3	26	11	21	13	2	4	7	15	18	11	32						
Sunderland (8)	WdWd	30	14	9	2	3	16	13	21	16	2	7	7	17	19	11	32						
Middlesbrough (7)	DwWWI	28	16	10	2	4	35	22	24	12	3	8	1	17	25	7	31						
Derby (4)	IWWwl	30	15	7	4	4	33	27	18	15	4	7	4	18	36	12	30						
Manchester C. (1)	DwLlI	28	14	9	3	2	29	17	20	14	3	8	3	26	31	9	29						
Stoke (10)	IWDW	29	15	8	1	6	34	11	22	14	2	10	2	12	21	6	28						
Chelsea (13)	LIWIL	29	15	7	3	5	33	23	19	14	3	9	2	12	19	8	27						
Huddersfield (15)	ILLWd	30	13	7	4	2	17	16	17	4	10	3	22	33	11	27							
*Leicester (-)	ldDd	30	14	6	5	3	32	15	15	16	4	8	4	18	34	12	27						
W. Brom. (16)	WlWl	28	15	6	6	3	37	24	15	13	4	6	3	20	29	11	26						
Birmingham (11)	ILWd	29	16	5	2	9	27	22	19	13	1	7	5	12	20	7	26						
Grimsby (12)	DIWlW	30	15	6	4	5	21	21	17	15	1	7	7	15	25	9	26						
Everton (17)	WwLlD	30	14	8	4	2	33	20	18	16	2	11	3	19	37	7	25						
Blackpool (-)	DIWw	31	15	4	6	5	19	20	13	16	5	9	2	22	29	12	25						
Portsmouth (9)	WlWd	30	16	5	5	6	25	20	16	14	2	8	4	15	33	8	24						
Liverpool (18)	DDlwl	28	13	4	6	3	23	22	11	15	4	6	5	17	26	13	24						

SECOND DIVISION		HOME										AWAY										Goals Pts. TL	
		P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.							
Sheffield U. (7)	WwdwW	30	15	13	1	1	36	16	27	15	6	6	3	26	24	15	42						
Aston Villa (9)	WldWl	30	14	11	1	2	34	9	24	16	6	6	4	15	19	16	40						
Coventry (8)	llWwW	30	16	10	2	4	26	16	24	14	5	4	5	24	23	15	39						
M'ester U. (-)	WddwL	29	15	10	3	2	34	16	22	14	4	4	6	19	36	14	36						
Burnley (13)	DWlWl	32	18	10	3	5	26	19	25	14	2	7	5	16	28	9	34						
Bradford (20)	Wwlll	28	13	8	1	4	33	13	20	15	4	6	5	11	21	13	33						
Tottenham (10)	WldwWD	30	14	10	1	3	30	10	23	16	4	10	2	20	27	10	33						
Chesterfield (15)	WWlLl	30	14	8	4	2	29	15	18	16	4	6	6	20	42	14	32						
Norwich (17)	LdWlw	30	14	10	1	3	28	23	23	16	2	10	4	21	41	8	31						
Bury (3)	wlWdW	28	14	8	4	2	35	14	18	14	4	7	3	16	20	11	29						
Sampton (19)	WDWdD	30	16	8	2	6	33	21	22	14	2	10	2	13	36	6	28						
Newcastle (4)	WwLwW	29	16	10	3	3	31	8	23	13	1	9	3	16	22	5	28						
West Ham (6)	WlDlD	29	15	8	2	5	23	19	21	14	0	8	6	11	22	6	27						
Luton (-)	ILWlW	28	15	8	4	3	38	26	19	13	3	8	2	18	27	8	27						
Barnsley (14)	wlDwW	30	14	8	3	3	23	13	19	16	2	10	4	17	28	8	27						
Notts. F. (18)	lWlLl	30	15	8	4	3	22	16	19	15	1	11	3	12	27	5	24						
Wednesday (-)	WlDlD	29	14	6	4	4	17	14	16	15	2	9	4	16	27	8	24						
Swansea (16)	WlWwWl	30	16	8	4	4	18	13	20	14	0	10	4	11	38	4	24						
Fulham (11)	WDlDd	29	14	4	3	7	27	19	15	15	3	9	3	22	27	9	24						
Stockport (-)	DlWdD	29	14	6	3	5	18	13	17	15	2	10	3	13	34	7	24						
Blackburn (12)	WlLlL	29	14	7	2	5	32	24	19	15	1	12	2	17	38	4	23						
Plymouth (5)	IDlWw	30	14	6	4	4	24	22	16	16	2	11	3	13	42	7	23						

THIRD DIVISION SOUTH	HOME										AWAY										Goals Pts. TL
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.						
Queen's P.R. (9) WwWlW	30	15	10	2	3	39	9	23	15	6	5	4	28	18	16	39					
Watford (4) WlDl	30	14	8	2	4	35	12	20	16	5	6	5	14	25	15	35					
Notts. C. (2) WlWdD	28	14	8	2	4	20	10	20	14	6	5	3	16	14	15	35					
Bristol C. (15) WwWdW	27	13	10	0	3	25	7	23	14	4	6	4	20	18	12	35					
Reading (5) lWlWl	29	13	11	2	0	28	19	22	16	2	7	7	19	29	11	33					
Southend (10) WlDl	30	16	11	3	2	27	13	24	14	3	9	2	20	31	8	32					
Cardiff (17) WlWw	28	16	12	0	4	50	20	28	12	1	8	3	9	22	5	33					
Brighton (3) WwLdW	28	16	12	2	2	27	12	26	12	2	7	3	13	23	7	33					
Bournemouth (6) wlWwD	29	15	6	0	9	27	8	21	14	5	8	1	14	21	11	32					
Mansfield (-) WwWwL	28	15	9	2	4	28	14	22	13	3	7	3	8	18	9	31					
Swindon (13) lWdWl	29	14	10	2	2	24	9	22	15	1	9	5	9	21	7	29					
Crystal P. (3) LWdDl	28	13	8	2	3	27	19	19	15	3	8	4	13	23	10	29					
Millwall (8) lLdWw	27	11	6	2	3	26	13	15	16	5	6	5	17	19	15	30					
Exeter (20) lWdWw	28	14	7	5	2	27	17	16	14	4	6	4	15	21	12	28					
Northampton (7) lLwLW	28	13	6	5	2	17	15	14	15	6	8	1	21	32	13	27					
Newport (18) WlDd	29	12	7	2	3	21	9	17	17	1	10	6	13	35	8	25					
Bristol R. (14) lWdW	29	16	7	2	7	21	16	21	13	1	10	2	10	28	4	25					
Aldershot (21) lWlWl	27	15	6	6	3	15	16	15	12	3	8	1	11	24	7	22					
Torquay (12) lLdW	29	15	7	6	2	19	21	16	14	2	9	3	9	32	7	23					
Clapton (12) lWlWw	30	15	6	5	4	18	17	16	15	3	10	2	14	23	8	24					
Walsall (16) lLWl	29	17	8	1	25	34	17	12	0	10	2	10	27	2	19						
Gillingham (11) WlWl	28	13	5	5	3	11	17	13	15	1	13	1	10	37	3	16					

THIRD DIVISION NORTH										HOME					AWAY					Goals Pts. TL					
										P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	TL
Rotherham (17) DwWID										.29	16	10	1	5	32	14	25	13	6	7	0	21	25	12	37
Tranmere (19) DwWIW										.28	16	12	2	2	31	14	26	12	4	5	3	12	10	11	37
Oldham (4) WIDWd										.28	14	9	1	4	29	10	22	14	5	5	4	12	15	14	36
Doncaster (-) wLIWD										.28	14	10	2	2	23	14	22	14	4	5	5	13	18	13	35
Hull (5) LDILW										.29	13	8	2	3	38	10	19	16	6	6	4	18	21	16	35
Gateshead (21) WIWII										.27	12	9	0	3	33	13	21	15	5	7	3	19	25	13	34
Lincoln (2) wWdDI										.29	15	9	3	3	35	9	21	14	4	5	5	17	15	13	34
Carlisle (10) DIwdL										.27	17	9	4	4	29	15	22	12	4	6	2	19	21	10	32
York (12) WwWWD										.27	15	9	3	3	31	17	21	12	4	5	3	19	25	11	32
Chester (3) DwWIW										.29	16	9	2	5	41	24	23	13	2	6	5	11	29	9	32
Wrexham (8) IWIWd										.28	13	9	2	2	23	9	20	15	2	8	5	16	33	9	29
Rochdale (18) LIHWw										.30	15	7	4	4	30	16	18	15	5	9	1	10	38	11	29
Southport (14) dDIDW										.28	14	6	4	4	23	19	16	14	3	6	5	27	36	11	27
Port Vale (11) DIWII										.28	12	6	1	5	28	13	17	16	3	10	4	21	37	8	25
Crewe (20) dWwId										.29	14	6	4	4	24	14	16	15	3	9	3	13	25	9	25
Halifax (7) DIWII										.27	13	7	4	2	22	14	16	14	3	8	3	19	28	9	25
Bradford C. (-) IDIWW										.28	15	9	2	4	33	21	22	13	1	12	0	10	34	2	24
N. Brighton (15) IdLWI										.27	13	6	5	2	19	16	14	14	2	8	4	17	24	8	22
Barrow (16) WWIWd										.29	13	7	5	1	17	13	15	16	1	13	2	14	34	4	19
Darlington (22) LIwdL										.29	14	5	7	2	22	25	12	15	1	10	4	14	31	6	18
Accrington (13) LdWIL										.28	14	5	9	0	19	28	10	14	2	9	3	11	31	7	17
Hartlepool (6) WWIWI										.29	14	6	4	4	17	15	16	15	0	14	1	14	54	1	17

Green & Gren From The Studio

To-day's Wireless

Chopin Scherzo By Horowitz

12.00-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Gerry Moore at the Piano. Slow Fox-Trot Medley. May Write Blues (Moore). Gerry Building (Moore).
12.42 p.m.—Cinema Organ Music. Night Must Fall (film 'The Tenth Man').
Free (from 'O-Kay For Sound'). Parade Of Parades—Selection. Quentin M. MacLean (Organ). King Of Jazz—Selection. Regal Cinema Orchestra with Quentin M. MacLean (Organ).
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Marek Weber and His Orchestra. 'Tales Of Hoffmann'—Potpourri (Offenbach). Entr'acte Gavotte ('Mignon'—Thomas). 'Geisha'—Selection (Sidney Jones). Waldteufel Waltz Potpourri (arr. Silbermann).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Sea Shanties. Rio Grande; Billy Boy (arr. Terry). Shenandoah (arr. Terry). Ten Thousand Miles Away (Willan). John Goss (Baritone) and Ca-

ZBW 355 M. 845 k.c's :::: ZEK 640 k.c's

thedral Male Voice Quartet.
1.50 p.m.—Light Variety.
Orchestral—Bagatelle—Overture (Rixner). Grand Symphony Orchestra.
Vocal & Piano—Remember Me? (film 'Mr. Dodd takes the Air'). Blossoms On Broadway (from the film)..... Leslie Hutchinson.
Piano—China Doll Parade (Zamecnik). 52nd. Street—Selection. Patricia Rossborough.
Orchestral—Serenade (Heykens). Birthday Serenade (Lincke). Max Muhlbeck & His Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
5.00-8.03 p.m.—European Programme.
8.03-11.00 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
5.00 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.
6.00 p.m.—Studio—Children's Hour.
7.00 p.m.—Organ Music.
Introduction And Finale (from 'Sonata On 9th Psalm'—Reuske). G. D. Cunningham.
Variations From Fifth Symphony (Widor).... Marcel Dupre playing

on the Organ of Alexandra Palace, London.
7.17 p.m.—Violin. Sonata In A Major (Handel). Isolde Menges with Piano accomp. by Eileen Beattie. Passacaglia (Handel-Halvorsen). Albert Sammons (Violin) and Lionel Tertis (Viola).
7.33 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.35 p.m.—Studio—'Green and Gren'.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Chinese Programme—Studio Concert.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.
8.05 p.m.—Variety.
8.30 p.m.—London Relay—'At The Black Dog'. Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by Pascoe Thornton.
9.00 p.m.—Military Band Music. 'Tancredi' Overture (Rossini). 'Ruy Blas' Overture (Mendelssohn). Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.
La Source Ballet. Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—'World Affairs'. A talk by J. L. Briery, O.B.E. Chichele Professor of International Law in the University of Oxford.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Vladimir Horowitz. Chopin—Scherzo No. 4 in E Major—Op. 54.
10.00 p.m.—London Relay—'Town Moor'. The Story of Doncaster Racecourse, told by Edgar Holt. Production by Pascoe Tjornton.
10.45 p.m.—Dance Music.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.

GSB 9.51 mc/s (31.55 m.)
G.M.T.
8.15 a.m.—Big Ben. 'The Private Soldier'—3. A talk by Ian Hay.
8.30 a.m.—'Stop Dancing'. A programme of very light music.
9.00 a.m.—'World Affairs'.
9.15 a.m.—The Violin Sonatas of Corelli.
9.40 a.m.—'British Industries' Fair, 1938. Kenneth Adam interviews overseas visitors.
10.00 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 10.15 a.m.
10.25 a.m.—Close down.
TRANSMISSION 2
Frequencies—
GSJ 21.53 Mc/s (13.93 m.)
GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSO 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.)
10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. Sidney Torch, at the Organ of the Gaumont State Cinema, Kilburn, London.
11.15 a.m.—'The Count of Monte Cristo'.
11.45 a.m.—Alfred Van Dam and his State Orchestra, from the Gaumont State Cinema, Kilburn, London.
12.30 p.m.—'At the Black Dog'.
1.00 p.m.—Violoncello Recital.
1.15 p.m.—'World Affairs'.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.55 p.m.—Close down.
TRANSMISSION 3
Frequencies—
GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSF 15.14 Mc/s (19.82 m.)
GSJ (to 3.30 p.m.) 21.53 Mc/s
1.55 p.m.—Opening Announcements.
2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. 'Town Moor'. The story of Doncaster Racecourse.
2.45 p.m.—The Central Band of His Majesty's Royal Air Force.
3.45 p.m.—Variety.
4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—'Matters of Moment'.
4.35 p.m.—'To-morrow's Songs'. A peep into the musical future.
5.00 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Duplicate Game Problem

"Dear Mr. Culbertson: I must call upon you to settle an argument which started between my wife and myself last Tuesday night after a duplicate game and has continued intermittently. Not playing together, we both happened to be South in the following hand:

East, dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

S.—A 8 5 4

H.—9 6 3 2

D.—10 9 5

C.—S 4

EAST

S.—K Q J 2

H.—None

D.—K 7 2

C.—A J 10 7 3 2

SOUTH

S.—10 6

H.—A K 10 7

D.—A J 8 6

C.—Q 9 6

"East opened the bidding with one club, and the whole argument hinges around the point of South's next bid. As we see it, there are five possible calls that South can make. They are: Pass, one heart, one diamond, double, and one no trump. I do not wish to go into a lengthy analysis as to the advantages and disadvantages of each bid because then I would be stepping into your shoes and giving you my opinion. It is your astute opinion that I seek. Perhaps my wife and I both are wrong and one of the other three bids is correct. But that is for you to decide.

"Over the one club opening I bid one heart. West promptly and viciously doubled. When the bidding reached me, I rescued myself at one no trump upon which West doubled a trifle more promptly and more viciously. By this time my partner had made up his mind that I needed some help and came to my aid with a charming bid of two spades. West's two doubles were dilatory and mild compared to the ferocity with which East pounced on this bid. With super horrible defence by the opponents, my partner contrived to go down only one trick, 200 points, for a bottom on the board.

"When my wife played this board she passed the one club bid. West bid one heart, North passed, and East bid a spade. Again my wife passed, expecting the opposition to go higher and then double for a killing. But west double-crossed her and passed this latter bid. East made a couple of spades and my wife received slightly better than average score.

"What should South do over East's one club opening bid? As man to man, I hope you will see my point of view in this matter and cast your vote in favour of our downtrodden sex.

"Trustingly yours,

"A. M. S., New York, N. Y."

I can well understand that Souths correct action over an opening club bid would lead to controversy, because it is a close point. South's hand is about one-half a playing trick short to be safe as an overcall under the rule of two and three, but the presence of three and one-half honour tricks [giving the proper "plus valuation" to the diamond jack and club queen] makes a pass unattractive. Particularly in a match point duplicate game, I would not pass since, even if a game for either side is not involved. North-South may be able to make a larger part score than can East-West. I would not overcall with a diamond because, in my opinion, there is nothing constructive about such a call. One no trump does not appeal to me. Such a bid indicates a hand as good as an opening no trump bid, hence I would be "lying." The choice between a takeout double and one heart is extremely close, and I would not criticize either bid.

If South doubles and North responds with one spade, South must pass, not even showing his heart suit. Hence I prefer the heart overcall. If I am doubled I rescue myself with one no trump. Incidentally, on the actual hand given, there, should have been no reason for South to rescue himself. North should have redoubled one heart to prevent just such an eventuality.

BROADCAST FROM DAVENTRY

TRANSMISSION 1

Frequencies—
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSO 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.)
GSD 11.75 Mc/s (25.53 m.)

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE ORIENTAL—"David Copperfield", with W. C. Fields, Lionel Barrymore, Edna May Oliver, Lewis Stone and Freddie Bartholomew.—A gold medal winner of the past. Charles Dickens' greatest story.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Song Of The City"—Romantic drama which tells an interesting story in a highly acceptable manner. Margaret Lindsay and Jeffery Dean have principal roles with J. Carroll Naish, Nat Pendleton, Stanley Morner, Marla Shelton and others.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Marry The Girl"—Hugh Herbert heads a cast of "lunatics" including Mary Boland, Frank McHugh, Alan Mowbray, Frank McConnell, Allen Jenkins and Carol Hughes, in a riotous tale of big business that nearly lands the entire cast in the mad house.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Mountain Justice"—A gripping drama of fanatical mountain folk who combine an

intensive study of the Bible with child marriages and an occasional murder. It features Josephine Hutchinson, George Brent, Guy Kibbee, Mona Barrie, George Barrat and Robert McWade.

AT THE STAR—"Her Husband Lies", with Gail Patrick, Ricardo Cortez and June Martell. The story of the dilemma which confronts a husband after promising the wife not to gamble and is forced to do so to save his brother's reputation.

AT THE KING'S—"Everything Is Thunder", with Constance Bennett and Douglas Montgomery and Oscar Homolka. This picture has been described as the vivid, passionate and profoundly moving story of an escaped English prisoner of war and a pretty war of Berlin. It was a best seller of 1935, written by J. L. Hardy, an English captain who himself made five efforts to escape a war prison and at last succeeded.



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HONG KONG**
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HONG KONG HOTEL; REPULSE BAY HOTEL;
&
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KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

NOTICE.

The Eighteenth Annual General Meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association will be held in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, on Friday, 4th. March, 1938, at 6 p.m.

Business

Adoption of Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1937.

Election of Officers and Committee.

And other business.

It is earnestly requested that members and all others interested in the welfare of Kowloon will endeavour to be present. An opportunity will be given for bringing forward matters for the consideration of the new Committee.

R. BALDWIN,
Hon. Secretary.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The Final Dividend declared for the Year ending 31st. December, 1937 at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling at exchange 1/2.7/8 is payable on and after the 28th. February, 1938 at the Offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 26th. Feb., 1938.

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Hong Kong, 2nd. March, 1938.

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THE ANNUAL SHOW of FLOWERS and VEGETABLES will be held at ST. JOHN'S PLACE (opposite the lower Peak Tram Station) on THURSDAY, the 3rd March, from 3 p.m. to 6.30 p.m., and on FRIDAY, the 4th March, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on Thursday, 10th March 1938, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1937 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 26th. February to 10th March 1938, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS,
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Hong Kong, 18th Feb., 1938.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday the 11th March, 1938, AT 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1937.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 4th March 1938, to Friday, the 11th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 21st February, 1938.

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NAZI APPEAL FOR DISCIPLINE IN AUSTRIA

Vienna, To-day.

Austrian radio stations for the first time broadcast last night an address by an Austrian National Socialist.

The speaker was the deputy chief liaison officer between the Fatherland Front and the Austrian Nazis, Dr. Hugo Jury, and his statements deserve special attention in view of the recent occurrences in the Styrian capital, Graz.

Dr. Jury, who is charged with the task of incorporating the Nazis into the Austrian front, appealed to his followers not to attach too great importance to the demonstrations, but to work hard, since "they had now emerged from illegality into the full light," where the public could critically watch their legitimate and responsible activities.

Dr. Jury then announced that directions for ensuring co-operation of the National Socialists on the basis of full equality, would be issued in the next few days. He appealed to the National Socialists to preserve full discipline, and wait patiently till these directions were published.—Trans-Ocean.

ARMY CHANGES IN AUSTRIA

Vienna, To-day.
Retirement of the Chief of the Austrian General Staff, Field-Marshal Jansa, was announced in Vienna last night.

His duties will be taken over by General Boehme.

The high command of the Austrian army is to be reorganised in connection with the change.—Trans-Ocean.

ADMIRAL YARNELL RETURNS VISIT TO GEN. HATA

Shanghai, To-day.

Repaying a call, Admiral Yarnell visited General Hata, the new commander-in-chief of the Japanese Forces in Central China, at 10 a.m. to-day, according to the Japanese spokesman at the press conference this morning.

He did not reveal where the meeting took place.—Reuter.

LABOUR CODE PASSED

Paris, To-day.

The Chamber of Deputies adopted the controversial Labour Code late last night by 408 votes to 190.—Trans-Ocean.

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